



State Water Resources Control Board

November 2, 2022

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

San Lorenzo Valley Water District
Attn: Ms. Carly Blanchard
13060 Highway 9
Boulder Creek, CA, 95006

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SAN LOENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (DISTRICT), MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) FOR THE BLUE RIDGE TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT); SCH #2022100300

Dear Ms. Carly Blanchard:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the MND for the proposed Project. The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (State Water Board, DDW) is responsible for issuing water supply permits pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act. The Project is within the jurisdiction of the DDW Monterey District. The DDW Monterey District issues domestic water supply permit amendments to the public water systems serviced with a new or modified source of domestic water supply or new domestic water system components pursuant to Waterworks Standards (Title 22 CCR chapter 16 et. seq.) A public water system requires a new water supply permit if it includes the creation of a new public water system or a new water supply permit amendment for changes to a water supply source, storage, or treatment and for the operation of new water system components including new distribution tanks equal to or over 100,000 gallons, new wells, and treatment systems. The District will need to apply for a water supply permit amendment for this Project.

The State Water Board, DDW, as a responsible agency under CEQA, has the following comments on the District's MND:

- Please include "State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water" and "Water Supply Permit Amendment" under "Other Public Agencies Whose Approval is Required" (PDF Page 9).
- Discuss where the two temporary 10,000-gallon tanks will be located, any temporary pumps that will be used with them, and possible environmental impacts the temporary system will have.
- Under the Hydrology and Water Quality Section question (a), please discuss how the water in the old tanks will be discharged prior to tank removal, if there will be flushing of the new tank prior to operation, if there will be operational discharges that may occur, and if permits are required.

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- Please clarify if the site will have no electricity, as explained on PDF page 52, or if the site will include electricity from Short Street, underground along the new access road, as indicated on PDF pages 13 through 14.

When the CEQA review process is completed, please forward the following items with your permit application to the State Water Board, DDW Monterey District Office at DWPDIST05@waterboards.ca.gov:

- Copy of the draft and final MND and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP);
- Copy of any comment letters received and the lead agency responses as appropriate;
- Copy of the Resolution or Board Minutes adopting the MND and MMRP; and
- Copy of the date stamped Notice of Determination filed at the Monterey County Clerk's Office and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse.

Please contact Lori Schmitz of the State Water Board at (916) 449-5285 or Lori.Schmitz@waterboards.ca.gov, if you have any questions regarding this comment letter.

Sincerely,

 Digitally signed by Lori Schmitz
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