

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE
AMBROSE DEBRIS SCREEN PROJECT
DECEMBER 22, 2022**

This is a notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Ambrose Debris Screen Project, the proposed Project, by the Contra Costa Water District (CCWD). The project site is located adjacent to Ambrose Recreation and Park District near the intersection of Bailey Road and Memorial Way in Pittsburg, California.

The proposed project would replace the existing trash rack (also known as a bar screen) within the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) fee-owned right-of-way at Milepost 19.5 of the Contra Costa Canal (the "Canal") with a similar bar screen at the same location. The proposed project also would add a screen upstream of the existing bar screen and modernize debris handling functionality with a mechanical system known as a trolley rake. A trolley rake is a hydraulic system that would remove vegetation and debris from the added screen. The rake travels on a rail across the width of the Canal.

Reviewing agencies, organizations and interested persons should focus on the content and accuracy of the Draft MND in discussing potential impacts upon the environment. Comments may be sent to CCWD during the review period (see below).

Copies of the Draft MND is available for review on CCWD's website: www.ccwater.com/projects#CEQA

You may contact Mr. Mark Seedall, Principal Planner at (925) 688-8119 or e-mail: mseedall@ccwater.com.

The Draft MND will be circulated for a 30-day review period. Persons responding are urged to submit their comments in writing. Written comments should be delivered to CCWD at the address listed below, by no later than 4:30 p.m. on January 27, 2023. Submittal of written comments via e-mail (Microsoft Word or PDF format) is also acceptable. Questions regarding this Draft IS/MND should be directed to Mr. Mark Seedall, Principal Planner, at (925) 688-8119 or e-mail: mseedall@ccwater.com.

The CCWD Board of Directors will consider adoption on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, for the purpose of considering public comments regarding the Final MND. Both written comments and any oral testimony from the public will be part of the project record to be considered for project adoption by the CCWD Board of Directors.

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