

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Public Agency	Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD)
Project Name	Avenues Septic to Sewer Project
Project Description	The Project would convert about 250 existing single-family residential septic customers to sewer, which involves installing about 14,000 linear feet of sewer main and lateral pipelines within roadway rights-of-way. The new sewer lines would connect to one of two existing sewer mains underneath East Lakeshore Drive. The Project is anticipated to generate 62,500 gallons per day of wastewater, which would be transported to the EVMWD Regional Water Reclamation Facility. Existing septic tanks serving the residents would be abandoned per Riverside County Department of Environmental Health requirements.
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets.	The Project area is roughly 99 acres in size in the City of Lake Elsinore in Riverside County, California. The Project site includes the area north of East Lakeshore Drive and generally follows the parcel boundaries west of Country Club Boulevard, north of Mill Street, and east of Irwin Drive. A small portion of the Project alignment would extend into East Lakeshore Drive, west of Country Club Boulevard. Refer to Figure 1, <i>Project Location</i> , attached to this document.


This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the Lead Agency’s Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the Project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the Lead Agency’s Staff has concluded that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.

<input type="checkbox"/>	The Project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5
<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed Project IS considered a project of statewide, regional, or areawide significance.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The proposed Project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional, or areawide significance.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed Project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The proposed Project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	A scoping meeting WILL be held by the Lead Agency.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the Lead Agency
If the Project meets the criteria requiring the scoping meeting, or if the agency voluntarily elects to hold such a meeting, the date, time, and location of the scoping meeting are as follows:	
Date:	Time: Location:
Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and are available for public review at the Lead Agency’s office, located at 31315 Chaney Street, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530.	
The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be obtained in electronic format at: www.evmwd.com/septic .	
Comments will be received from January 18, 2023, through February 17, 2023. Comments may be submitted electronically to septicconversion@evmwd.net with the subject line “Avenues Mitigated Negative Declaration Comments” or mailed to P.O. Box 884, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531.	
Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing to the Lead Agency prior to February 17, 2023. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.	

The Lead Agency will consider the Project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future public meeting. Information regarding the public meeting will be posted at: www.evmwd.com/septic.

If the Lead Agency finds that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the Project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received
for Filing: _____


Jason Dafforn (Jan 12, 2023 10:12 PST)

Staff – Jason Dafforn

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Director of Engineering and Water Resources
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Attachment: Figure 1, Project Location



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