

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
Innovation, State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2023010548

PROJECT NUMBER: 1510021-004C

DOCUMENT TITLE: Water System Improvement and Treatment Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located through the City of Wasco, Kern County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as Water System Improvement and Treatment Project. The Project includes drilling four new municipal water wells to replace the existing water supply wells that exceed the State of California maximum contaminant level threshold for 1,2,3-trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP), and occasionally the threshold for nitrates of 10 mg/L for nitrate as nitrogen. There will be a generator at each of the well locations, as well as Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition updates. The four existing well sites, Wells No. 7, 8, 10, and 11, that are being replaced will be abandoned of all pump equipment, piping, electrical, and appurtenances. The Project also includes installation of a new granular activated carbon treatment system at the existing Well No. 12 facility to remove 1,2,3-TCP.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Lead Agency. The State Water Board has approved financing the Project described above on February 26, 2025. The City of Wasco will be carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The Project will not have a significant effect on water quality impacts. This determination is limited to effects on water quality under the State Water Board's jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.

2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Wasco

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Records of the financing approval and an analysis of environmental alternatives for the Project are available to the general public upon request at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

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