## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT HIRSCHDALE PIPELINE PROJECT

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Truckee Donner Public Utility District is circulating an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Hirschdale pipeline project soliciting public comment.

**Project Location:** Hirschdale is an unincorporated community in eastern Nevada County approximately 6 miles northeast of downtown Truckee.

**Project Description:** The proposed Hirschdale pipeline would consolidate the Hirschdale and Truckee water systems. A 4-inch pipeline would connect to an existing water main at the intersection of Glenshire Drive and Martis Peak Road and then run eastward to Hirschdale. The pipeline alignment traverses approximately 1,200 feet of undisturbed forest land on private property where the District has been granted permission to place the pipeline. Another approximate 1,830 feet of pipe would be installed along an existing rutted dirt road (also on private property) to the Hirschdale water tank site for a total of 3,030 feet of pipeline. An alternate cross-country route about 665 feet long and connecting the Hirschdale water tank and existing dirt road is also proposed. Pipeline installation requires a 2.5-foot wide by 4-foot deep excavated trench and a construction width along the alignment of approximately 25 feet. Following construction all soils would be backfilled with material removed from the excavated trench and erosion control measures implemented to facilitate restoration of the disturbed construction area.

**Document Availability:** The Initial Study/MND is available for public review online at the District's website at <a href="https://www.tdpud.org">www.tdpud.org</a> and available at District headquarters public counter at 11570 Donner Pass Road, Truckee, CA 96161.

**Public Review and Comment Period:** The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study/MND is from March 20, 2023 and ending on April 18, 2023. Written comments may be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on May 1, 2023 addressed to:

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**Project Impacts:** Based on the findings of the Initial Study, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant impact on the environment based on mitigation measures, which will be attached to the project as a condition of approval. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program has been prepared to mitigate potentially significant impacts to Air Quality, Biological and Cultural Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous materials and Tribal Cultural Resources.