



**Las Virgenes – Triunfo Joint Powers Authority**  
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## **MALIBOU LAKE SIPHON REPLACEMENT PROJECT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Las Virgenes Municipal Water District and Triunfo Water & Sanitation District (Joint Powers Authority, JPA) proposes to replace the existing sewer siphon pipelines under Medea Creek at its confluence with Malibou Lake.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The Project site is located at the Lake Vista Drive crossing of Medea Creek at its confluence with Malibou Lake in Agoura Hills, Los Angeles County, California.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The JPA is soliciting comments on the adequacy and completeness of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). You may comment by submitting written or oral comments to the Project Manager identified below prior to the close of the public comment period on **April 28, 2023**. Due to the non-complex nature of this project, a separate environmental hearing will not be held.

**PROJECT DETAILS:** The project involves the replacement of the existing sewer siphon crossing with a new siphon directly north of the existing siphon alignment. The proposed replacement siphon crossing would consist of two high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipelines (12-inch and 24-inch in diameter) encased in concrete. The replacement siphon crossing under Medea Creek would be approximately 150 feet long and include two new 10-foot-diameter pre-cast concrete sewer manholes to function as inlet and outlet structures. In addition, a 7-foot-diameter pre-cast concrete manhole is proposed on both sides of the replacement siphon crossing to connect to the existing sewer mains. A new 30-foot-wide permanent easement on APN 4462-004-032 along the replacement siphon crossing alignment would be acquired by the JPA.

Access roads composed of asphalt concrete would be provided to access the proposed siphon inlet and outlet manholes. The existing concrete-encased sewer siphon would be completely removed from the Medea Creek channel along with the existing inlet and outlet structures and backfilled with clean earth material to match the surrounding existing grades.

Construction is anticipated to start in 2023 or 2024 and require about six months to complete. Construction activities would be scheduled for the dry season to avoid high flows in Medea Creek and elevated lake levels.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS:** The JPA has prepared a Draft MND pursuant to Section 15073 of the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Issuance of a MND affirms the JPA's opinion that potentially significant adverse impacts associated with the proposed project can be readily mitigated and that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The MND prepared for the project discusses potential impacts for identified subject areas. If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised by you or others in written correspondence or in hearings on the proposed project.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** If a copy of MND is not attached, the Draft MND may be downloaded from the District's website: [lvmwd.com](http://lvmwd.com).

**HOW TO COMMENT:** Comments should be provided to the Project Manager, Alex Leu, at 4232 Las Virgenes Road, Calabasas, (818) 251-2144, or at [aleu@lvmwd.com](mailto:aleu@lvmwd.com), prior to the close of the public comment period on **April 28, 2023** at 5:00 p.m. Please limit comments to environmental issues such as cultural resources, biology, noise, etc. You will receive notice of the dates of future public hearings to consider project approval or denial.

**Jane Nye**

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