

Notice of Determination

To:

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From:

Westhaven Community Services District
P.O. Box 2015
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with §21152 of the Public Resources Code

State Clearinghouse Number: SCH 2024080630

Project Title: Disinfection Byproduct Reduction Project

Project Applicant: Westhaven Community Services District

Project Location: The project is located in the unincorporated community of Westhaven in Humboldt County. Improvements would occur at the District's 4th Avenue Well, located on 4th Avenue, generally west of Transit Avenue, at the District's Water Treatment Plant (WTP) site, located at the eastern end of 4th Avenue, and in the 4th Avenue road right-of-way (ROW) between the two facilities. Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) electric line improvements would occur within the road ROW of 4th Avenue, Railroad Avenue, and 8th Avenue, and within public utility easements on private property.

Project Description: The project entails improvements to the Westhaven Community Services District's (District) water system that are required to improve the water treatment process, replace aging and undersized infrastructure, provide additional water storage, and improve fire flows to ensure a reliable water supply in the District's service area. Waterlines and electrical conduit would be installed from the 4th Avenue Well to the WTP site. Fire hydrants would be installed on 4th Avenue. Existing water meters and meter boxes adjacent to 4th Avenue would be replaced. Improvements at the WTP site include construction of a new WTP building, installation of a septic tank and leach field, installation of two propane tanks, an emergency back-up generator, a Battery Energy Storage System, and a hydropneumatic tank, installation of drainage improvements, improvements to the existing access driveway, and installation of a ~200,000 gallon glass-fused bolted steel water tank with an aluminum domed roof. Sand and gravel media in both slow sand filters would be replaced. Appurtenant piping, drainage, and electrical improvements would be completed. Photovoltaic (PV) solar panels would be installed on the roof of the WTP building. A Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system would be installed. A "Humboldt crossing" on Two Creek would be removed. Improvements at the WTP require conversion of a single-phase power alignment to 480V/3-phase as well as extension of powerline to the new WTP facilities. This would entail replacing existing PG&E power poles, overhead powerlines, and appurtenant facilities, and extending an overhead electrical line to a new power pole at the WTP.

This is to advise that the Westhaven Community Services District (Lead Agency) approved the above-described project on **October 8, 2024**, and made the following determinations:

1. The project **will not** have a significant effect of the environment.
2. A **Negative Declaration** was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan **was** adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted for this project.
6. Findings **were** made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval are available to the General Public at:

446 6th Avenue
Trinidad, CA 95570



Signature: Paul Rosenblatt, General Manager

Date: October 9, 2024