

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR SHALANE TANK AND TRANSMISSION PIPELINE PROJECT

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), East Niles Community Services District is circulating Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for public comment.

Project/Location: Tank site is located on an undeveloped Land just west of Shalane avenue. The transmission pipeline alignment would be underneath Shalane ave going west and terminate at Ca. State 184 (Kern County Rd.)

Project Description: The project will consist of constructing an above-ground welded steel nominal 2.0 MG reservoir with approximate dimensions of 24 feet high and 120 feet in diameter. The work will include providing onsite inlet and outlet piping and appurtenances as well as constructing the 5,400-foot long 16" diameter transmission main between the tank site and the 650 zone transmission piping in Morning Drive at Kern Canyon Road. It is anticipated that the pipeline route will run west along Shalane to Kern Canyon and then west along Kern Canyon to Morning Dr. (See below photo)

Document Availability: The Initial Study/MND will be available for review at the request of the public, please email mranches@mknassociates.us for a pdf copy.

Public Review Period: The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study/MND is from April 14, 2023 to May 13, 2023.

Comments: Any person who wishes to comment on the District's intent to adopt the MND must submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday May 5, 2023. Written comments may be sent to Melvin Ranches – MKN & Associates, 1800 21st St, Suite C, Bakersfield, CA 93301. Comments may also be sent by email to mranches@mknassociates.us.

Project Impacts: Based on the findings of the Initial Study, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant effect upon the environment based on mitigating measures as outlined on the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) report, which will be attached to the project as conditions of approval.

