

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

DATE: May 25, 2023

Based upon the conclusions set forth in the Initial Study, the CEQA Lead Agency finds that the Proposed Project, which includes measures and mitigations designed to minimize environmental impacts, would not result in significant adverse effects on the environment. The CEQA Lead Agency has prepared this Notice of Intent to adopt the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to 14 CCR Section 15072.

Title: BOHANNON DAM AUTOMATION PROJECT

Project Description: The primary purpose of the Bohannon Dam Automation Project (Proposed Project) is to improve irrigation and flood control and enhance water sustainability in the Sacramento River Basin. On average of 20,000 acre-feet of water is lost from the Main Drain each year and installation of the Proposed Project would allow Reclamation District No. 1500 (RD 1500 or District) and Sutter Mutual Water Company (SMWC) to efficiently operate the irrigation system to reduce spills past Bohannon Dam.

Project Location: The Proposed Project is located on SMWC's Main Canal and is an irrigation and storm water facility, shared with RD 1500. The Proposed Project site is located just north of the town of Robbins off Highway 113 adjacent to Reclamation Road in unincorporated Sutter County

Project Proponent: RD 1500

Lead Agency: RD 1500

Public Review Period: A 30-day public review period will begin on May 25, 2023. Written comments must be submitted to the Lead Agency no later than 5:00 PM on June 23, 2023.

Available Material: A copy of the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and supporting material are available online at <https://sutterbasinwater.com/bohannon-dam-automation-project/> or physically at 15094 Cranmore Road Robbins, California 95676.

Contact for Public Comments: Written comments on the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be addressed to: Roger Cornwell, Reclamation District No. 1500 15094 Cranmore Road Robbins, CA 95676 530-738-4423 and rcornwell@sutterbasinwater.com.