

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Notice is hereby given that the public agency named below has completed an Initial Study of the following described project at the following location:	
Public Agency:	Desert Water Agency
Project Name:	Well 46 (Palm Oasis)
Project Description:	Well 46 (Palm Oasis). The Project generally consists of construction and operation of one domestic groundwater production well. The Project also includes an access road extending north from the northerly terminus of Sterling Avenue to the well site, and up to 1,600 linear feet of well discharge pipeline extending from the new well site to the existing Well 17 forebay. A more detailed description is included in the Initial Study for the Project, which is available for review at the location cited below.
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15’ or 7 1/2’ topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	The Project is located north of Palm Oasis Avenue, south of Range View Drive and Highway 111, and east of Margee Road in the community of Palm Oasis, near the City of Palm Springs, Riverside County, California, on land identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 669-680-024, 669-191-005, 669-191-006, and 669-191-009.
This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the Lead Agency’s Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the Lead Agency’s Staff has concluded that the project, with incorporation of mitigation measures, will not have a significant effect on the environment, and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The Project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The proposed project IS considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The proposed project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The proposed project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The proposed project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.	
<input type="checkbox"/> A scoping meeting WILL be held by the Lead Agency.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the Lead Agency.	
Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Negative Declaration/Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and are available for public review at the Lead Agency’s office, located at: 1200 S. Gene Autry Trail Palm Springs, CA 92264	
The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can be obtained in electronic format by contacting the lead agency: Desert Water Agency 1200 South Gene Autry Trail Palm Springs, CA 92264 (760) 323-4971	
Lead Agency address:	1200 S. Gene Autry Trail Palm Springs, CA 92264

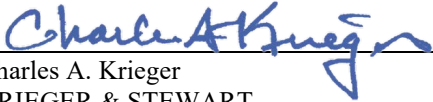
**Comments will be received from December 7, 2023 to January 5, 2024.**

Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the Lead Agency by January 5, 2024. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.

The Lead Agency will consider the project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future meeting of its Board of Directors. Board meeting agendas are posted in advance of meetings and are available online at <https://dwa.org/organization/board-agendas/>.

If the Lead Agency finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received for Filing:

  
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