

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2018081099

PROJECT NUMBER: 5400550-002C

PROJECT TITLE: Yettem and Seville Water System Improvement Project – Phase 2
(Project; Phase 2 Yettem Water Supply Well and Transmission Mains)

PROJECT LOCATION: In the vicinity of the communities of Yettem and Seville, along SR 201 between roads, 136-144, 153-154, unincorporated Tulare County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes development of a new well in Yettem (Yettem Well 3), the interconnection (via a new, underground water pipeline) of that well with an existing well and water storage tank in Yettem, the installation of new water meters in Yettem, the interconnection of the Yettem and Seville water systems, Yettem storage tank site improvements and installation of an emergency standby generator, new water services and meters (approximately 26 connections) along the interconnection pipeline (including on-site private lateral pipes to connect to existing homes), integration of the Yettem and Seville pump station sites using a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system, and installation of a water fill station at the Seville tank site.

Approximately 4,000 linear feet of eight-inch high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe will be installed along State Route (SR) 201, Road 136, and Road 140 west of the community of Yettem to connect the new Yettem Well 3 to the existing well and storage tank. Approximately 10,000 linear feet of eight-inch HDPE pipe and associated appurtenances including hydrants, permanent blow-offs, and air release valve assemblies will be installed along SR 201, Road 153, and Road 154 to interconnect the Yettem and Seville systems. New water meters in Yettem will be installed along an approximate 1-mile, discontinuous route following Road 140, Road 144, SR 201, and several unnamed roads.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on February 16, 2023. The County of Tulare will be carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The Project will not have a significant effect on water quality impacts. This determination is limited to effects on water quality under the State Water Board's jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.

LEAD AGENCY: County of Tulare

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Hector Guerra

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A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

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