YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA)/NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION DAGUERRE POINT DAM NATURE-LIKE FISHWAY SITE INVESTIGATIONS PROGRAM

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, Yuba County Water Agency prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) that identifies and evaluates the environmental impacts of the Daguerre Point Dam Nature-Like Fishway Site Investigations Program.

Project Title: Daguerre Point Dam Nature-Like Fishway Site Investigations Program.

Project Location: The Proposed Project is located at Daguerre Point, latitude 39.206409, longitude 121.442861 on the south bank of the lower Yuba River; adjacent to Daguerre Point Dam, and approximately 12 miles northeast of Marysville, in Yuba County, California.

Project Description: Yuba County Water Agency (Yuba Water) is investigating the feasibility of constructing a nature-like fishway (NLF) at Daguerre Point Dam to improve fish passage on the lower Yuba River while maintaining present water supply and hydraulic debris retention functions of the dam and impoundment. Specifically, Yuba Water is proposing to complete a site investigation program to provide surface and subsurface geological information for planning and preliminary design of the proposed NLF at Daguerre Point Dam. The Daguerre Point Dam NLF Site Investigations Program (Proposed Project) includes four field components: aerial photogrammetry, geophysical investigations, drilling and testing, and excavation of test pits. The surface and sub-surface information gathered from this work would provide sufficient site-specific data to assist in determining the feasibility of the NLF.

Environmental Review and Public Comment: The circulation of the Draft IS/MND is to encourage written public comments.

Interested persons can review the MND at the following physical location:

Yuba County Yuba County Clerk 915 8th Street Suite 107 Marysville, CA 95901 The Draft IS/MND can be accessed online at the following locations:

- CEQAnet website under Yuba County Water Agency postings:
 - o https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/Search?LeadAgency=Yuba+County+Water+Agency
- Yuba County Water Agency's s website at the following links:
 - o https://www.yubawater.org/404/Yuba-River-Habitat-Restoration-Agreement
 - o https://www.yubawater.org/326/Public-Notices

To request a PDF version of the document please contact:

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The comment period on the IS/MND closes on October 1, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Please submit comments to Jacob Vander Meulen, YCWA Environmental Manager at:

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Intent to Consider Adoption of MND: On October 3, 2023 at 9:00 am, YCWA will consider adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project pursuant to CEQA.