



## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Riverside County Planning Department (RCPD) has prepared a Draft Initial Study & Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the project listed below pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) State Guidelines'§15000 et seq. Anyone desiring to comment on the IS-MND may do so in writing within the 30-day public review period from Monday October 2, 2023 through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 3, 2023.

**Project Title:** Ramona Water System Improvement Project - Public Use Permit 200002

**Project Location:** The 926-acre project service area is in unincorporated Riverside County, located generally south of State Route (SR) 371 and east of Kirby Road in the unincorporated community of Anza. The project location is shown in Figure 1.

**Brief Project Description:** Residents within the Ramona Water System service area in Anza do not have a reliable integrated potable water storage and delivery system. There are currently 96 connections to the system, serving 280 residents. The Ramona Water System (RWS) is in significant disrepair and requires a substantial upgrade to establish a higher quality, more reliable potable water source, storage, and distribution system. The existing RWS does not currently have the ability to provide safe and sustainable potable water to all of its existing customers.

The applicant has applied to the Regional Water Quality Control Board for Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) funding for the planning design and construction of the water system improvement project. Project design features include the following components:

- Groundwater well drilling and rehabilitation (Garrison site and Patterson site) including wellhead treatment, pumps, and electrical connections
- Five (5) new storage tanks: (1) a 115,000-gallon steel storage tank at the El Toro site (30 feet high/30-foot diameter), (2) two 35,000-gallon steel tanks at the Reynolds site (22 feet high/20-foot diameter), (3) a 20,000-gallon steel storage tank at the Red Shank site (20 feet high/16-foot diameter), and (4) a 5,000-gallon treated water holding tank at the Garrison site (25 feet high/8-foot diameter).
- Two (2) pump stations: (1) Red Shank site—to pump from the Red Shank site to the Reynolds site, and (2) El Toro site—to pump from the Reynolds site to the Patterson site.
- One (1) new 6-inch transmission main, delivering water from the Garrison site well to the El Toro storage tank site—approximately 12,500 feet in length

- One (1) 6-inch water distribution main line—approximately 15,000 feet in length

The project site is not located on a site that is included on a list of hazardous materials pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.4

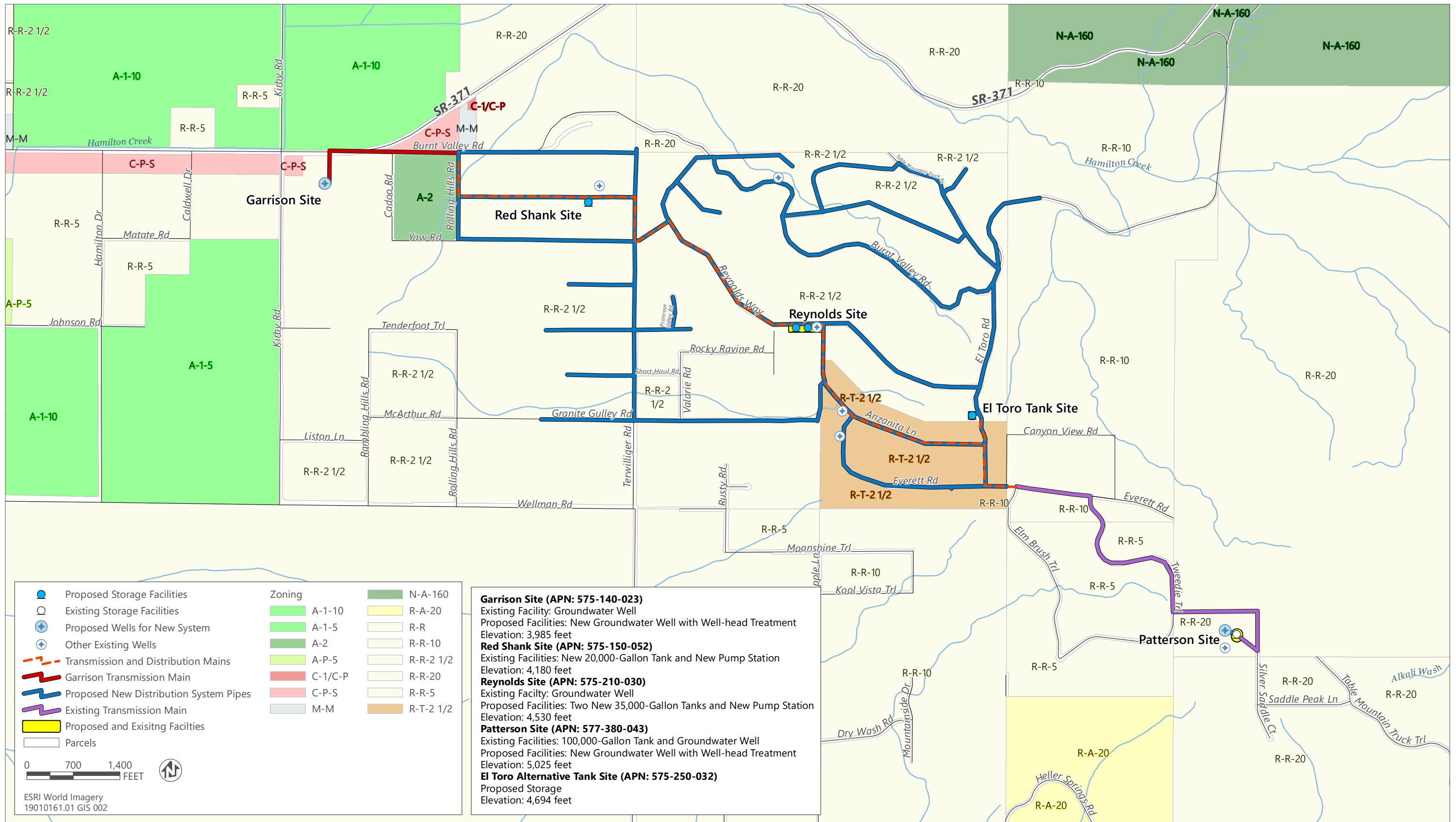
**Public Meeting:** RCPD will consider the IS-MND during a regular Planning Commission meeting following the review period on November 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

**30-Day Document Review:** The IS-MND is available for public review at the RCPD office at 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California 92501 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The IS-MND may also be accessed from the RCPD website, <https://planning.rctlma.org/>.

Written comments may be submitted to:

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Source: Data received from SRT Consultants and downloaded from Riverside County in 2019

Figure 1 - Proposed Ramona Water System Improvements