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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Steeplechase and Kalmia Booster Pump Station Project

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Project Location: Moreno Valley Riverside
City County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Eastern Municipal Water District (District) proposes to construct the Steeplechase and Kalmia Booster Pump Station (BPS) Project (proposed project). The proposed project site is located within the city of Moreno Valley on District-owned property at the District's existing Kalmia Avenue tank site, south of Kalmia Avenue and west of Kayal Avenue; as well as within the Kalmia Avenue right-of-way.

The proposed project would result in the construction of a new booster pump station (BPS) on District-owned property enclosed within a masonry block wall building. Site improvements would also include a retaining wall with a maximum height of 15 feet, three access gates, site access, and landscaping of the area surrounding the BPS as well as the southern portion of the District-owned property.

The proposed project also includes approximately 1,209 linear feet of 12-inch pipeline constructed via open trench method within the southern side of Kalmia Avenue from the District-owned parcel heading eastward to the end of the paved surfaced located east of Slawson Avenue. The depth to pipe invert would be approximately 5 feet below the ground surface. This pipeline would connect to the yard piping and BPS.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Project impacts requiring mitigation are limited to biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, noise, transportation, tribal cultural resources, and wildfire.

While no burrowing owl or burrowing owl sign were detected, the disturbed habitat within and adjacent to the project area has potential to support burrowing owl. Mitigation measures BIO-1 and BIO-2 would require a pre-construction special-status species sensitivity training and pre-construction survey prior to the commencement of construction to ensure no burrowing owls have entered the area to avoid direct or indirect impacts to the species or any active nests, if present. If vegetation clearing must take place during the nesting season, mitigation measure BIO-3 would require a qualified biologist to perform a pre-construction survey for nesting birds.

Due to the project site being within Traditional Use Areas and being considered sensitive because there are existing cultural resource sites known in the surrounding areas, construction activities would have the potential to unearth previously unknown tribal cultural resources, the discovery of which would be considered a significant impact. Implementation of mitigation measures CUL-1 through CUL-7 would reduce impacts related to archaeological resources to a level less than significant.

Paleontological sensitivity of native soils on the project site is high and mitigation would be required in the form of a paleontological monitor during construction (GEO-1).

Construction noise levels are not anticipated to exceed 80 A-weighted decibels equivalent noise level [dB(A) L_{eq}] at the adjacent residential uses. However, the project would be required to implement mitigation measures NOI-1 and NOI-2 which would reduce temporary impacts from construction noise to a level less than significant.

Because construction is proposed within the right-of-way of Kalmia Avenue, a Traffic Control and Detour Plan would be required to allow continued access. Mitigation measure TRA-1 would require preparation of a Traffic Control and Detour Plan, in accordance with the City of Moreno Valley traffic control guidelines.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Not Applicable

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

1. Eastern Municipal Water District – Adoption of the MND and approval of the Steeplechase Booster Pump Station Project.
2. Encroachment Permit from the City of Moreno Valley
3. Construct/Operate Permit for Emergency Generator from South Coast Air Quality Management District
4. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction General Permit from California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 8
5. Drinking Water Supply Permit from California State Water Quality Control Board Division of Drinking Water