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To: All Interested Parties From: Water Replenishment District

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PROJECT NAME: Torrance Groundwater Desalter Expansion Project

LEAD AGENCY: Water Replenishment District

PROJECT AREA: City of Torrance PROJECT TYPE: Water Reclamation

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Water Replenishment District (WRD) is the Lead Agency and has prepared an Initial Study (IS) with the intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the proposed Torrance Groundwater Desalter Expansion Project (project).

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project is located in the cities of Torrance, Los Angeles, Carson, and portions of unincorporated Los Angeles County.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project aims to install up to 8 wells to extract and treat up to 10,000 AFY of brackish groundwater over an approximate 30-year period.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** The IS describes potentially significant impacts to aesthetics, biological resources, tribal cultural resources, transportation and noise. Mitigation measures have been identified to reduce impacts to less than significant levels. All other resource areas were found to have no impact or were less than significant, and are also described in the IS/MND.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The IS is being circulated for public review and comment for the period of 30 days beginning November 3, 2023 and ending December 3, 2023. Written comments should be submitted and received no later than close of business on December 3, 2023. Written comments should be sent to: *Mario Bautista, 4040 Paramount Blvd. Lakewood, CA 90712 or emailed to mbautista@wrd.org.* 

**AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:** Hardcopies of the IS have been delivered to the following libraries:

- North Torrance Branch Library, 3604 Artesia Blvd. Torrance, CA 90504
- On the web: Public Notices Water Replenishment District (wrd.org)
- For any guestions or for distribution of a hard copy of the IS, please contact:

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