

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Inland Feeder-Foothill Pump Station Intertie Project

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Project Location: Highland

City

San Bernardino

County

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

Metropolitan is proposing an intertie connection between the Inland Feeder pipeline and San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District's Foothill Pump Station (FPS). The proposed Project consists of the installation of two new pipeline connections between the Inland Feeder and the SBVMWD-Inland Feeder Interconnection Line 1 and FPS. Both new pipelines would have their own valves, valve vault structures, and surge tanks. Additionally, a large vault structure with valve will be installed on the Inland Feeder to control direction of water flow along Inland Feeder. The two pipelines are referred to as the supply connection and the discharge connection. The supply connection pipeline would be approximately 500 feet in length and send water from the Inland Feeder to the FPS for pumping. The discharge connection pipeline would be approximately 1,000 feet in length and send the pumped water back into the Inland Feeder, allowing it to have enough pressure flow to its final destination of the Rialto Pipeline. Both new pipelines would be approximately 54 inches in diameter. Construction staging would occur on the open dirt and gravel space within Metropolitan's fee property in the Project Area. Operations and maintenance activities, including the frequency of staff visits, maintenance, and shutdowns, would be similar to existing conditions once construction activities are completed.

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

The proposed project may have potentially significant effects to Biological Resources and Noise. The proposed Project is located within San Bernardino kangaroo rat designated critical habitat (*Dipodomys merriami parvus*). Coastal California gnatcatcher (*Poliophtila californica californica*) has been reported directly adjacent to the proposed Project Area. Finally, the proposed Project may have potentially significant effects from temporary construction noise. Mitigation measures are proposed to reduce impacts.

MM-BIO-1: Prevention of Inadvertent Entrapment

MM-BIO-2: Special-Status Plant Preconstruction Floristic Inventory and Survey

MM-BIO-3: Compensation for Impacts to Federally and State-Listed Plant and Wildlife Species (Mitigation Bank)

MM-BIO-4: Nesting Bird/Special-Status Bird Avoidance and Biological Monitoring

MM-BIO-5: Crotch Bumble Bee Survey and Avoidance

MM-BIO-6: Western Spadefoot Toad Survey and Avoidance

MM-BIO-7: San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat Pre-Construction Presence/Absence Trapping

MM-BIO-8: San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat Exclusionary Fencing

MM-BIO-9: San Bernardino Kangaroo Rat Biological Construction Monitoring

MM-BIO-10: Special-Status Ground-Dwelling Wildlife Preconstruction Clearance Surveys

MM-BIO-11: Burrowing Owl Focused Surveys

MM-NOI-1: Temporary Noise Barriers Along Project Area

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

No areas of controversy have been raised by agencies or the public. The proposed Project is a water infrastructure project in response to on-going drought conditions.

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District