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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the East Palo Alto Sanitary District has undertaken environmental review for the proposed Sanitary Sewer Parallel Trunk Line (Manhole T-0 to T-32), and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration. The East Palo Alto Sanitary District invites all interested persons and agencies to comment on the proposed Sanitary Sewer Parallel Trunk Line (Manhole T-0 to T-32).

- Lead Agency:** East Palo Alto Sanitary District
- Project Location:** North of Embarcadero Road through the Palo Alto Airport site to east of San Francisquito Creek in the City of Palo Alto
- Project Description:** The East Palo Alto Sanitary District (lead agency) is proposing to construct a new, 18-inch sanitary sewer line, parallel to an existing 24- to 30-inch sanitary sewer line, from manhole T-0 within the Palo Alto Regional Water Quality Control Plant, running north/northwest through the Palo Alto Airport (airport) site to manhole T-32, just east of San Francisquito Creek bridge. The total length is approximately 6,000 linear feet. The proposed improvements are located outside of the district service boundaries and within the City of Palo Alto. The new sanitary sewer line route would begin at manhole T-0 and proceed across Embarcadero Road north through the airport outdoor airplane parking area to manhole T-4 where the route turns northwest and parallels the runway along the east side of the adjacent golf course. At manhole T-10, the route turns southwest and runs between the golf course and the San Francisquito Creek Trail. The route ends at manhole T-32. The capacity improvements that would result from the proposed project, laid out in the sanitary district's 2002 and 2015 Master Plan Updates, are necessary to service the needs of existing users and for servicing the future growth of the City of East Palo Alto as projected in the 2016 Vista 2035 East Palo Alto General Plan.
- Construction activities will include survey staking of the pipeline alignment, trench excavations, import and placement of pipes, manholes, and backfill materials, compaction of backfill, and restoration of ground surface to match existing conditions. The width and depth of construction would be 20 feet, and 10 feet, respectively. Delivery of construction materials, a staging area, and traffic patterns on airport property will be coordinated with the Airport. The district will also work with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the airport to determine and implement the steps required to obtain a utility easement through the airport. A construction schedule for the proposed project is not known at this time but could last up to 12 months.
- Public Review Period:** Begins – Monday, February 12, 2024  
Ends – Wednesday, March 13, 2024

**Proposed Mitigated  
Negative Declaration is  
Available for Public  
Review at these  
Locations:**

East Palo Alto Sanitary District Office  
901 Weeks Street  
East Palo Alto, CA 94303

<https://www.epasd.com/transparency/public-information/development-projects-section-under-public-information>

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**Public Hearing:**

Date: To Be Determined

Location: Board Room at the East Palo Alto Sanitary District, 901 Weeks Street,  
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