



## Buena Vista Water Storage District

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DATE: January 15, 2024

SUBJECT: **NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

PROJECT: **BELRIDGE PIPELINE PROJECT**

The Buena Vista Water Storage District has completed preparation of a Draft Initial Study/proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Belridge Pipeline Project and intends to adopt the MND as part of project review.

The IS/MND are now available for a 30-day public review and comment period. The IS/MND comment period is from **January 18 to February 16, 2024**.

You may obtain a copy of the IS/MND at 525 North Main Street Buttonwillow, CA 93206 between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM (except holidays). The IS/MND may also be reviewed at:

<https://www.bvh2o.com/Projects.html>

The District is proposing to construct the approximately 2-mile Belridge Pipeline between the California Aqueduct and the District's 7th Standard Pipeline. The west end of the Belridge Pipeline would connect to an existing California Department of Water Resources turnout at the California Aqueduct. The pipeline would extend east from the California Aqueduct, across undeveloped land owned by the Chevron Corporation and other private parties, as well as across a portion of the Lokern Preserve before tying into the existing 7th Standard Pipeline just west of the Kern River Flood Canal. In addition to facilitating delivery to District water users, the Belridge Pipeline would also deliver water to the Corn Camp Groundwater Recharge Pond, via an existing approximately 2-mile segment of the 7th Standard Pipeline. Additionally, the proposed project would install a new fiber optic line and new electrical line along the east side of the California Aqueduct to service the turnout at the California Aqueduct.

All comments regarding the IS/MND should be received **NO LATER THAN 4:00 p.m. on February 16, 2024**. Written comments should be submitted to:

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