Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

Project Title: Bel rid Rippeline Project			Contact Passan, Tim	Ashlock
Lead Agency: Buena Vista Water Storage Di strict Mailing Address: 525 North Main Street City: Buttonwillow		Contact Person: Tim Ashlo Phone: 661-324-1101		ASHIOCK
			County: Kem	
Project Location: County: Ker	m			
Cross Streets: Main Drain Road and Da	rgatz Road		•	Zip Code: 93208
Longitude/Latitude (degrees, mir	nutes and seconds): 35 ° 25'36.	<u>66</u> "N / 119 °	34'5. ' 48 " W To	tal Acres: 22.59
		Section: 2-3-4-9-10. Twp.: 28 and 29S Range: 22E Base:		
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: None		Waterways: No B		
Airports: None		Railways: None Schools: None		
Early Cons Neg Dec	☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) Other:		NOI Other: EA Draft EIS FONSI	☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:
Local Action Type: ☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan	☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Developmen ☐ Site Plan		t sion (Subdivision, etc	Annexation Redevelopment Coastal Permit Other:
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ☐ Educational: ☐ Recreational:	Acres Acres Employees Acres Employees Acres Employees Conveyan ce MGD		Mineral Type reatment: Type us Waste: Type	MWMGD
Project Issues Discussed in	Document:			
Aesthetic/Visual Agricultural Land Air Quality Archeological/Historical Biological Resources Coastal Zone Drainage/Absorption Economic/Jobs	☐ Fiscal ☐ Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☐ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Minerals ☐ Noise ☐ Population/Housing Balanc ☐ Public Services/Facilities	☐ Solid Waste	ersities as ty Compaction/Grading ous	□ Vegetation □ Water Quality □ Water Supply/Groundwate □ Wetland/Riparian □ Growth Inducement □ Land Use □ Cumulative Effects □ Other:

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 Kem 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.

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

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Reviewing Agencies Checklist Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X". If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S". Air Resources Board Office of Historic Preservation Boating & Waterways, Department of Office of Public School Construction California Emergency Management Agency Parks & Recreation, Department of California Highway Patrol Pesticide Regulation, Department of Caltrans District # **Public Utilities Commission** Caltrans Division of Aeronautics X Regional WQCB # 5F **Caltrans Planning** Resources Agency Central Valley Flood Protection Board Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. Coastal Commission San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy Colorado River Board San Joaquin River Conservancy Conservation, Department of Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy Corrections, Department of State Lands Commission SWRCB: Clean Water Grants **Delta Protection Commission** Education, Department of SWRCB: Water Quality **Energy Commission** SWRCB: Water Rights Fish & Game Region # Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Food & Agriculture, Department of Toxic Substances Control, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of Water Resources, Department of General Services, Department of Other: California Department of Fish and Wildlife Health Services, Department of Housing & Community Development Other: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control Board Native American Heritage Commission Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency) Starting Date January 18, 2024 Ending Date February 16, 2024 Lead Agency (Complete if applicable): Applicant: Buena Vista Water Storage District Consulting Firm: GEI Consultants, Inc. Address: 525 North Main Street Address: 5001 California Avenue, Suite 120 City/State/Zip: Bakersfield, CA 93309 City/State/Zip: Buttonwillow, CA 93206 Phone: 661-324-1101 Contact: Ginger Gillin Phone: 503-342-3777 Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Date: 1-15-24

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.