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2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: E202410000217
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable) 2024041239

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY CARUTHERS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL CARUTHERSCSD@SBCGLOBAL.NET	DATE 07/16/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING FRESNO COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER E202410000217
PROJECT TITLE WEST SIDE WATER STORAGE TANK PROJECT		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CARUTHERS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (559) 864-8189
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS P.O BOX 218	CITY CARUTHERS	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93609

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity


CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	<u>2,916.75</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other 205884

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 2,966.75

SIGNATURE X 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Pricilla Gonzalez Deputy Clerk
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County of Fresno
Clerk's Office
James A. Kus

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Finalization 2024013216
7/16/2024 03:33 PM
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Description	Fee
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EIR - Negative Declaration	
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Recording Fee: No Fee

Total Amount Due	\$0.00
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Total Paid

Amount Due \$0.00

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Description	Fee
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Total Amount Due	\$50.00
Total Paid	
Check Tendered	\$50.00
#205884	
Amount Due	\$0.00

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EIR - Negative Declaration

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Recording Fee: \$2,916.75

Total Amount Due \$2,916.75

Total Paid

Check Tendered \$2,916.7
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Amount Due \$0.00

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Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

Office of Planning and Research
U.S. Mail: P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
Street Address: 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113 Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk
County of: Fresno
Address: 2220 Tulare Street
2220 Tulare Street

From:

Public Agency: Caruthers Community Services
Address: PO Box 218 Caruthers, CA 93609
Contact: David McIntyre
Phone: (559) 864-8189

Lead Agency (if different from above): Caruthers Community Services District
Address: PO Box 218 Caruthers, CA 93609
Contact: David McIntyre
Phone: (559) 864-8189

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2024041239

Project Title: West Side Water Storage Tank Project

Project Applicant: Caruthers Community Services District

Project Location (include county): Fresno County

Project Description:

See attached Project Description

FILED
JUL 16 2024
TIME 3:40pm
By FRESNO COUNTY CLERK DEPUTY

This is to advise that the Caruthers Community Services District has approved the above (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on July 9, 2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Caruthers Community Services District office, located at 13617 S Raider Ave, Caruthers, CA 93609

Signature (Public Agency): David McIntyre Title: District Manager

Date: 7-16-2024 Date Received for filing at OPR:

CHAPTER 2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

2.1.1 Project Title

West Side Water Storage Tank Project

2.1.2 Lead Agency Name and Address

Caruthers Community Services District
PO Box 218
Caruthers, CA 93609

2.1.3 Contact Person and Phone Number

Lead Agency Contact

David McIntyre
District Manager
(559) 864-8189

CEQA Consultant

Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group
Jarred Olsen, Environmental Project Manager
(559) 636-1166

2.1.4 Project Location

The Project is located in southern Fresno County, central California, approximately 168 miles southeast of Sacramento and 94 miles northwest of Bakersfield (see Figure 2-1 and Figure 2-2). The Project site is located at the southeast corner of Caruthers Avenue and Benedict Avenue, west of Marks Avenue on Assessor's Parcel Number 041-280-89. The centroid of the Project site is 36°32'21.8"N 119°50'53.7"W.

2.1.5 General Plan Designation and Zoning

Project Area	General Plan Designation	Zoning District
ONSITE	R-A	R-A
ADJACENT LANDS	R-A	R-A

2.1.6 Description of Project

Project Background and Purpose

The Caruthers Community Services District (District) was formed in 1960 and is responsible for providing both water and sewer service to the unincorporated community of Caruthers in southern Fresno County.

The District's jurisdiction spans approximately 361 acres and includes a domestic water system presently serving approximately 721 residential connections, 33 commercial/industrial connections, and 4 landscape irrigation connections throughout the community.

Existing water supply facilities include two (2) active wells, Well Nos. 5 and 6, whose depths are 630 and 890 feet, respectively. Well No. 3 is available, but not in active service due to a concentration of ethylene dibromide and 1,2,3-trichloropropane (TCP) at levels exceeding the MCL. Well Nos. 5 and 6 both have arsenic levels in excess of the current MCL of 10 ppb, and Well No. 5 is now also out of compliance for TCP. Construction is nearly complete for an arsenic treatment facility at the Well No. 6 site to provide arsenic treatment for both existing wells. A pipeline has been constructed from Well No. 5 to the Well No. 6 site for the purpose of consolidating the treatment location. A storage tank has also been constructed, which will store treated water and allow for blending of raw water and treated water.

Currently, all of the active water supply sources are located on the east side of the District boundary, resulting in uneven flow and pressure distribution. This Project would be constructed on the west side to provide more even flow and pressure distribution. The water storage tank would be filled during low demand periods, and be available for distribution during high demands, providing improved water supply and pressure reliability.

The District water distribution system includes several dead-end runs and ranges from 4 inch to 12-inch water lines. The small water lines are old (constructed in the early 1960's, pipelines are steel) and have exceeded their anticipated useful life.

Project Description

The West Side Water Storage Tank Project would construct a 500,000-gallon water storage tank whose dimensions would be approximately 22-feet high and 65-feet in diameter. Appurtenant infrastructure includes electrical equipment, on-site lighting, booster pumps, an emergency backup generator, seven-foot-tall slatted perimeter fencing, and a basin for stormwater and storage tank backwash purposes. The facility would replace the existing 6-inch water main in Caruthers Avenue between the western edge of the District and Marks Avenue to a 10-inch transmission main. In a second phase, improvements would include a groundwater well and a granulated activated carbon (GAC) treatment process to increase system reliability and redundancy, should a well on the east side of the District go offline and another source of clean, reliable water is needed.

Construction Schedule

Construction of the Project is anticipated to be completed within nine months, which would include grading, site preparation, construction of a water tank and associated infrastructure, and connection to the existing distribution system. Completion of phase two is unknown at this time.

Generally, construction would occur between the hours of 7:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Post-construction activities would include system testing, commissioning, and site clean-up. Construction would require temporary staging and storage of materials and equipment. Staging areas would be located onsite.

Equipment

Construction equipment would likely include an excavator, drill rigs, backhoes, graders, skid steers, loaders, crane, and hauling trucks.

Operation and Maintenance

Operation and maintenance of the facility would be performed by the existing maintenance staff.

2.1.7 Site and Surrounding Land Uses and Setting

Table 2-1: Existing Uses, General Plan Designation, & Zone Districts of Surrounding Properties

Direction from Project Site	Existing Use	General Plan Designation	Zone District
NORTH	Agriculture	Agriculture	AE-20 (Exclusive Agriculture)
EAST	Residential	Residential	R-A (Single-Family Residential, Agricultural)
SOUTH	Residential	Residential	R-A (Single-Family Residential, Agricultural)
WEST	Residential	Residential	R-A (Single-Family Residential, Agricultural)

2.1.8 Other Public Agencies Whose Discretionary Approval May Be Required

- State Water Resources Control Board
- County of Fresno

2.1.9 Consultation with California Native American Tribes

Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1, *et seq.* (codification of Assembly Bill 52, 2013-14) requires that a lead agency, within 14 days of determining that it will undertake a project, must notify in writing any California Native American Tribe traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the project if that Tribe has previously requested notification about projects in that geographic area. The notice must briefly describe the project and inquire whether the Tribe wishes to initiate request formal consultation. Tribes have 30 days from receipt of notification to request formal consultation. The lead agency then has 30 days to initiate the consultation, which then continues until the parties come to an agreement regarding necessary mitigation or agree that no mitigation is needed, or one or both parties determine that negotiation occurred in good faith, but no agreement will be made.

The Lead Agency has not received any written correspondence from any Tribe pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1 requesting notification of the proposed project.