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Project Title: Widren Water District Groundwater Water Quality, Supply, and Drainage Enhancement Program
Lead Agency: Widren Water District **Contact Person:** Damian Aragona
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City: Los Banos **Zip:** 93635 **County:** Fresno

Project Location: County: Fresno City/Nearest Community: Firebaugh
 Cross Streets: Fairfas Ave. and Nees Ave. Zip Code: _____
 Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 52 ' 31 " N / 120 ° 34 ' 47 " W Total Acres: _____
 Assessor's Parcel No.: _____ Section: _____ Twp.: _____ Range: _____ Base: _____
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: _____ Waterways: Delta-Mendota Canal
 Airports: _____ Railways: _____ Schools: _____

Document Type:
 CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:
 General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Water Resource Mgmt

Development Type:
 Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: _____
 Water Facilities: Type Reverse Osmosis MGD 1

Project Issues Discussed in Document:
 Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:
Agricultural

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*
 Annually extract and treat through reverse osmosis up to 2,500 acre-feet of poor-quality groundwater for introduction into an existing water distribution system operated by Firebaugh Canal Water District or the Delta-Mendota Canal (DMC). Treated groundwater introduced into Firebaugh's water distribution system it will be used within Firebaugh's service area, and 2,000 acre-feet of Central Valley Project (CVP) water will be made available by Firebaugh for transfer to Westlands Water District (WWD) for use by individuals or entities that own land in both Widren and WWD. Treated groundwater introduced into the DMC will be exchanged with the Bureau of Reclamation to meet existing CVP demands and a like amount of CVP water will be made available to WWD for use by individuals or entities that own land in both Widren and WWD. Use of transferred/exchange water will reduce groundwater pumping from the Westside Groundwater Subbasin. Effluent produced by the reverse osmosis process will be blended with groundwater and delivered to landowners within Widren, who operate under the State Water Resources Control Board's Waste Discharge Requirements General Order (Order R5-2015-0095) for growers in the Grassland Drainage Area, for irrigation of salt tolerant crops.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>Fresno</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy | <input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 04/30/2024 Ending Date 05/29/2024

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 04/30/2024

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