

GLENN-COLUSA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE LURLINE CHECK AND REPLACEMENT STRUCTURE PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Glenn Colusa Irrigation District (District) plans to adopt a mitigated negative declaration for the Lurline Check and Replacement Structure Project (Project). The public hearing to consider the Project and the accompanying mitigated negative declaration is tentatively scheduled to be held on Thursday, July 18, 2024, at 9:00 am, in the District Board Room located at 344 East Laurel Street, Willows, CA 95988.

The District is proposing the construction of a check structure and siphon to replace the existing check structure and siphon, as well as their associated facilities, in their approximate current location along the Glenn-Colusa Canal. The new structure would include box culverts or precast concrete pipes constructed to convey 100% of the Glenn-Colusa Canal's design flow rate at this location (630 cubic feet per second (cfs)). The initial phase would involve clearing and grubbing any vegetation present within the Project work area. The next phase would see the demolition and removal of the existing check, siphon, and outlet structures, as well as the two existing maintenance bridges and overflow spill. The existing overflow spill is no longer used at the site, so a replacement overflow spill is not included in the proposed structure. Prior to commencing the demolition and removal, a bypass would be constructed for Lurline Creek. While the Canal would be dry during construction, the proposed construction window occurs during the Creek's peak flows. A temporary bypass channel would be built to divert flows around the work site and back into Lurline Creek so as to not impact the creek's water flow. The bypass would be an earthen channel with a High Density Polyethelene (HDPE) lining and design maximum flow rate of 850 cfs.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared, describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project. The District has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this Project and has determined that they will be less than significant. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review at the District Board Room, 344 East Laurel Street, Willows, CA 95988. The public review period during which the District will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on June 12, 2024, and end on July 12, 2024. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Briza Sholars at Provost & Pritchard, 455 W. Fir Ave, Clovis, CA 93611, or at bsholars@ppeng.com.

The site has been reviewed in accordance with Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not listed as a hazardous waste or materials site.