

### Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH #**

**Project Title:** The California Aqueduct Subsidence Program- Subsidence and Groundwater Monitoring Project

Lead Agency: California Department of Water Resources Contact Person: Philip Meyer  
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City: Sacramento Zip: 95814 County: Sacramento

**Project Location:** County: Kern County City/Nearest Community: Lost Hills, Derby Acres, Taft  
Cross Streets: Several across Kern County Zip Code: Several

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 35 ° 3 ' 58.93 " N / 119 ° 7 ' 5.2 " W Total Acres: 11.5

Assessor's Parcel No.: N/A Section: 3 Twp.: 11 North Range: 21 West Base: N/A

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: Interstate 5 (I-5), Golden State Hwy (SR 99) Waterways: The Aqueduct  
Airports: Elk Hills-Buttonwillow Airport Railways: N/A Schools: Lost Hills Union School District, A.M. Thomas Middle, and Wonderful College Prep Academy Lost Hills

**Document Type:**

- CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint Document  
 Early Cons  Supplement/Subsequent EIR  EA  Final Document  
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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 Monitoring Equipment

**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 monitoring wells MGD

**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:**

Entirely within Aqueduct and DWR right-of-way.

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

The proposed Project involves the installation of groundwater and subsidence monitoring stations that would provide real-time data to monitor groundwater levels and other spatial information as they relate to ground subsidence. The data would be used to help inform how subsidence is affecting the Aqueduct and would assist in maintaining infrastructure of the State Water Project. The proposed Project involves ground disturbance such as drilling to a maximum depth of approximately 5 to 2,800 feet below ground surface site preparation activities such as vegetation removal and grading from the embankment road to the work area, groundwater monitoring well installations and associated equipment, extensometer installations, and global positioning system antenna and telemetry/solar panel installations. Access to the sites would be made via the Aqueduct embankment road. Some ground improvements may be required for accessibility during wet and muddy conditions such as spreading gravel over unimproved ground surfaces.

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### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date June 21, 2024 Ending Date August 2, 2024

### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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