

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Advanced Water Treatment Facility Salinity Management System Project

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Project Location: Laguna Niguel

City

Orange County

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The project would construct and operate additional wastewater treatment infrastructure at the existing Regional Treatment Plant and construct a new parking and laydown area adjacent to the RTP's primary access road. The treatment infrastructure site is approximately 1.1 acres, and the parking and laydown area is approximately 0.7 acres. The proposed treatment facilities would connect to the RTP's Advanced Water Treatment system to further treat recycled water produced and reduce its total dissolved solids content. The 0.7-acre parking and laydown yard is located east of the proposed treatment facility. It would be paved and feature drainage improvements and a driveway connecting to the existing RTP access road.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Biological resources:

Potential impact on individuals of sensitive wildlife species deemed to have low potential to occur on site: long-eared owl (*Asio otus*), southern California rufous-crowned sparrow (*Aimophila ruficeps canescens*), Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), white-tailed kite (*Elanus leucurus*), pallid bat (*Antrozous pallidus*), Mexican long-tongued bat (*Choeronycteris mexicana*), western mastiff bat (*Eumops perotis californicus*), western red bat (*Lasiurus blossevillii*), California monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus plexippus*), and Crotch's bumble bee (*Bombus crotchii*). MM-BIO-1 requires a pre-construction survey to verify absence or identify means of avoiding take of the individuals.

Potential impact on nesting birds. MM-BIO-2 requires vegetation clearing outside the nesting season or performance of pre-construction nest surveys and avoidance of nests if present.

Potential impact on previously unidentified tribal cultural resources that may be inadvertently uncovered during excavation. MM-TRI-1 requires retention of a Native American tribal monitor during initial earth disturbance and excavation in native soils.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

City of Laguna Niguel Department of Public Works