

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Jefferson Avenue Interconnection Project

Lead Agency: Western Municipal Water District

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Project Location: City of Murrieta

City

Riverside County

County

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

The proposed project consists of installation of an approximately one-mile, 18-inch water pipeline, two 16-inch interconnections to Rancho California Water District's (RCWD) existing 36-inch domestic water pipelines on each end of the proposed pipeline, and two interconnection vaults along with associated aboveground appurtenances, such as a water quality station, metering pedestal, blow offs, and air vacuum release valves. The project would extend service to certain developed land uses within Western Municipal Water District's (Western) service area, specifically within Murrieta's Innovation Zone. The Innovation Zone comprises a mix of developed and undeveloped parcels, some of which currently lack municipal water service and are solely relying on private well production. The Innovation Zone is intended to accommodate a wide variety of non-residential uses and have a campus-like, mixed-use business setting, and development of this area was anticipated in the City of Murrieta's most recent General Plan Update. Although the pipeline would be installed by Western within Western's service area, the pipeline would be connected to RCWD's distribution system, and water conveyed throughout the pipeline would be supplied by RCWD, which has adequate pressure and available water supplies to serve this area. The proposed pipeline would not connect physically to Western's distribution system.

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

The project would result in potentially significant effects on cultural resources, paleontological resources, hazards and hazardous materials (emergency response), transportation (emergency access), tribal cultural resources, and wildfire (emergency response). However, implementation of the following mitigation measures would reduce these impacts to less-than-significant levels:

- CUL-1: Cultural Resources Monitoring and Discovery Plan
- CUL-2: Cultural Resources Sensitivity Meeting
- CUL-3: Archaeological Monitoring
- CUL-4: Phase IV Report
- CUL-5: Unanticipated Discovery of Cultural Resources
- GEO-1: Paleontological Resources Monitoring and Mitigation
- TRA-1: Traffic Control Plan
- TCR-1: Native American Monitoring
- TCR-2: Final Disposition

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

No areas of controversy are known to the lead agency.

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

- City of Murrieta
- Rancho California Water District
- San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board
- State Water Resources Control Board