

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Project title:

Tulelake Water Project

2. Lead agency name and address:

City of Tulelake
591 Main Street
Tulelake, California 96134

3. Contact person and phone number:

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4. Project Location:

The proposed project components are located at ten locations throughout the City of Tulelake, California, in Siskiyou County. The total area of potential effect is approximately 10.57 acres. The project areas are owned by the City of Tulelake, California and is centered on Section 35 of Township 48 North, Range 4 East of the Mount Diablo Meridian. The Tulelake Water project is comprised of portions of two tax lots (APNs 050-142-130 and 050-051-010). The waterline replacement components of the project are located in Second Alley, Third Alley, Fourth Alley, and Fifth Alley between E Street and F Street. The well rehabilitations are located between B Street and C Street in an undeveloped lot, and a portion of the Water Pumping Facility public works yard. The vaults are located at the intersection of Park Street and G Street, at the intersection of E Street and Modoc Avenue, and on the north side of Highway Street. The new water tank will replace an existing tank on the north side of C Street in the Water Pumping Facility public works yard.

5. Project sponsor's name and address:

Jenny Coehlo, City Manager	City of Tulelake
	1000 Dean Callas Way
	Tulelake, California 96134

6. General Plan designation:

The City of Tulelake does not currently have a Land Use Element and is in the process of updating the General Plan.

7. Zoning:

R-1: Single-Family Dwelling and Unzoned

8. Description of project:

The City of Tulelake proposes to address deficiencies present in water distribution system components. This proposed project includes the planning and design to replace backflow preventers, new water storage tank (to replacing one existing tank), new master water meters to four outside water districts, replacement of 1,000 feet of asbestos cement pipe within the distribution system, the rehabilitation of two existing wells, replacement of 500 feet of aged cast iron leaky water main, replacement of five service connections, reconnection of two existing fire hydrants, installation of an emergency potable water re-filling station with a drinking fountain, and emergency use water bottle provisions.

The scope of work will include replacement of valves and other plumbing vaults at four locations, waterline replacement in four alleyways, the replacement of new water tanks, and well rehabilitations in an undeveloped lot and a portion of the Water Pumping Facility public works yard.

9. Surrounding land uses and setting:

The subject properties are located throughout the city of Tulelake in Siskiyou County, California. Tulelake lies south of the Oregon-California border, with the Tule Lake Wildlife Refuge located west of the city. The city of Tulelake lies in the Tule Lake Basin, on the outskirts of the Klamath Lake Basin (USDA NRCS 2019b). Lost River runs north/south along the west side of Tulelake and flows into Tule Lake.

The proposed project consists of ten subject properties: four waterline replacements, three water meter vault improvements, two well rehabilitations, and one new water tank installation. The waterline replacements are located in Second Alley, Third Alley, Fourth Alley, and Fifth Alley between E Street and F Street. The well rehabilitations are located between B Street and C Street in an undeveloped lot, and a portion of the Water Pumping Facility public works yard. The vaults are located at the intersection of Park Street and G Street, at the intersection of E Street and Modoc Avenue, and on the north side of Highway Street. The new water tank will replace an existing tank on the north side of C Street in the Water Pumping Facility public works yard.

The properties are regular in shape (rectangular).

The area of potential impact is approximately 10.57 acres.

The area surrounding the subject property is zoned as residential, agricultural, and commercial. The waterline replacement sites are surrounded by residential neighborhoods, predominantly single-family homes. The vault improvement site at Park Street and G Street is bordered by residential properties to the north and west, agricultural fields and open land to the east, and the Tulelake Butte Valley Fairgrounds RV Park to the south. The E Street and Modoc Avenue property is bordered by residential properties to the west, open agricultural fields to the north and east, and an electrical service mast to the south. This property is additionally screened to

the east by a railroad and State Route 139. The Highway Street and Siskiyou Street property is bordered by residential properties to the south and east and open agricultural fields to the north and west. The subject property containing the new water tanks is bordered by Otis Roper Park to the east and residential properties to the north, west, and south.

10. Other public agencies whose approval may be required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement):

The project would comply with various regulations and require approval from agencies. California State Water Resources Control Board, City of Tulelake Land Use Element and Zoning Codes, California Building Codes, Fire Code, City Policies, Municipal Code, and other applicable state regulations. Tulelake is under the jurisdiction of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board and the Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District.

FIGURE 1



Tulelake Drought Relief Project

Legend
Tulelake



ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project. Please see the checklist beginning on page 4 for additional information.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Forestry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geology/Soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazards and Hazardous Materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use/Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noise | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Cultural Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities/Service Systems | <input type="checkbox"/> Wildfire |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance | |

DETERMINATION

On the basis of this initial evaluation (choose one):

- I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
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I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

Jenny Coelho

Print Name

Jenny Coelho

Signature

09/19/2024

Date