

## Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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<b>SCH #</b>
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**Project Title:** Cameron Creek Linear Recharge Project

Lead Agency: City of Visalia Contact Person: Rebecca Keenan, Engineer  
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 City: Visalia Zip: 93291 County: Tulare

**Project Location:** County: Tulare City/Nearest Community: Visalia  
 Cross Streets: see attached Project Description for details Zip Code: 93291

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 18 ' 24.19 " N / 119 ° 15 ' 01.48 " W Total Acres: 14

Assessor's Parcel No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Waterways: \_\_\_\_\_

Airports: \_\_\_\_\_ Railways: \_\_\_\_\_ Schools: \_\_\_\_\_

**Document Type:**

CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint 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: Linear Recharge

**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: Linear Recharge Project  
 Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ 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: TCR

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

The Project area itself does not have a General Plan or Zoning designation as it consists of the existing Cameron Creek channel

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

See attached Project Description.

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # <u>6</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>5</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
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<input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # <u>4</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
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<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>SJVAPCD</u>
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

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

Starting Date October 11, 2024 Ending Date November 12, 2024

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### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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# Project Description

## Project Title

Cameron Creek Linear Recharge Project

## Project Location

The Project is located in Tulare County just outside of the southeastern quadrant of the City of Visalia, approximately 200 miles southeast of Sacramento and 62 miles north of Bakersfield. The centroid of the Project area is 36° 18' 24.19" N, 119° 15' 01.48" W.

## General Plan Designation and Zoning

The Project area itself does not have a General Plan or Zoning designation as it consists of the existing Cameron Creek channel. Lands surrounding Cameron Creek contain both County of Tulare and the City of Visalia designations.

### *Project Description*

The proposed Project proposes to construct up to three (3) reinforced concrete check structure facilities within the Cameron Creek channel. All check structures would be equipped with control gates and weir boards capable of passing high flows (250 cubic feet per second) while maintaining high water levels in the channel making Cameron Creek a linear recharge basin. The section of the Cameron Creek to be utilized begins near the start of Cameron Creek where it diverts from TID's Main Intake Canal east of Road 156, with the end location northeast of the Lovers Lane and Caldwell Avenue intersection.

For each check structure, it is anticipated that excavation through the creek channel and embankment would reach approximately 65 feet horizontally at a depth of about 10 feet from channel top (excavation from channel bottom will likely only 3-4 feet). Excavation for construction will be minimal and would only be the amount necessary for constructing the structures. Once completed, excavated soil would be backfilled around the structure and the channel prism re-graded to match existing conditions. No material export is anticipated, and earthwork would be balanced on site.

The Area of Potential Effect contains a total of 14 acres. This includes the proposed Project construction areas and an additional 25-foot buffer surrounding the proposed Project site.

### *Construction Schedule*

The Project is anticipated to be constructed within approximately four months, beginning in September of 2025. Generally, construction would occur between the hours of 6 am and 6 pm, Monday through Saturday, excluding holidays. Construction would require temporary staging and storage of materials and equipment onsite. Post-construction activities would include system testing, commissioning, site clean-up, and then operation.

### *Equipment*

Construction equipment will likely include excavators, backhoes, graders, skid steers, loaders, water trucks, concrete trucks, and hauling trucks. Construction equipment used as a part of the Project would be Clean Fleet, Tier 4 equipment. Post-construction activities will include system testing, commissioning, and site clean-up. Construction will require temporary staging and storage of materials and equipment located at each site. The post-construction activities will largely be handled via pick-up trucks.

### *Operation and Maintenance*

This Project would be operated in coordination with TID. Under a pending agreement, TID would take over the responsibilities for post-construction operation of the three check structures. Maintenance is anticipated to be a joint effort between the two agencies to perform as-needed cleaning of debris and sediment as well as equipment monitoring and maintenance.