

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

To: Public Agencies, Interested Parties, and Humboldt County Clerk

Project Title: Wastewater Recycling Expansion Project

Lead Agency: McKinleyville Community Services District, 1656 Sutter Road, McKinleyville, CA 95519

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Review Period: November 19, 2024, to December 19, 2024

The McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD) has prepared this notice to inform agencies and interested parties that it is releasing a CEQA Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/Proposed MND) for the Wastewater Recycling Expansion Project.

Project Description and Location

The Wastewater Recycling Expansion Project includes the expansion of existing water recycling facilities along Fischer Avenue and adjacent agricultural fields in McKinleyville, CA in order to increase recycled water irrigation capacity, reduce operational costs, and offset groundwater extraction. Specifically, the Project includes the installation of ten 100-ft by 200-ft flood cells in open agricultural land on a bluff, replacement of 2,075 linear feet of 16-inch pipe along Fischer Avenue, installation of 5,060 linear feet of 16-inch pipe in the agricultural fields approximately perpendicular to Fischer Avenue, and installation of three pivot sprinkler irrigation systems within the agricultural fields. In total, Project implementation would result in 10.32 acres of ground disturbance. The Project is not located in the vicinity of hazardous waste sites enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

Providing Comments

A 30-day public review period for the IS/Proposed MND will occur from November 19 to December 19, 2024. The IS/Proposed MND will be available for public review online within the “News and Project Updates” section at www.mckinleyvillecsd.ca.gov, as well as at the MCSD office at 1656 Sutter Road, McKinleyville, California. Please e-mail any comments on the IS/Proposed MND by 5 PM on December 19, 2024, to Pat Kaspari at pkaspari@mckinleyvillecsd.com.

After the review period closes, the MCSD Board of Directors will consider adopting the IS/Proposed MND and approving the Project during their regularly scheduled Board Meeting scheduled for February 5, 2025, at 6:00 PM. We encourage you to check the MCSD’s webpage to confirm the date, time, and location of the Board of Directors meeting at the following website address: www.mckinleyvillecsd.ca.gov.