

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

**Form F**

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SCH #: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: Front Slide Gates Replacement Project

Lead Agency: Western Canal Water District

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Project Location: Unincorporated, Butte County

*City*

*County*

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

The proposed project site is located in unincorporated, western Butte County, approximately 12 miles southwest of Chico (Assessor's Parcel Number 038-140-006-000). The existing front slide gates structure spans Little Butte Creek and impounds creek flows (when present) that are comingled with upstream inflows from the Thermalito Afterbay via the Western Main Canal.

The proposed project includes a gate structure in the channel along the same approximate alignment as the existing structure, but with a larger footprint to accommodate the necessary civil works. The new structure would improve the reliability and efficiency of WCWD water deliveries. The new structure would contain a concrete foundation, catwalk, and several mechanically operated gates to regulate upstream water levels and downstream flowrates.

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

The impacts related to the potential of the Proposed Project to substantially degrade the environment would be less than significant with incorporated mitigation measures. As described in this initial study, the Proposed Project has the potential for impacts related to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, and tribal cultural resources. However, these impacts would be avoided or reduced to a less-than-significant level with the incorporation of avoidance and mitigation measures discussed in each section of the ISMND, including Mitigation Measure AQ-1: Implement Standard Air Quality Construction Mitigation Measures, Mitigation Measure BIO-1: Worker Environmental Awareness Protections Training, Mitigation Measure BIO-2: Avoid and Minimize Effects on Sensitive Habitat, Mitigation Measure BIO-3: Avoid and Minimize Effects on Rare Plants, Mitigation Measure BIO-4: Bumble Bee Avoidance and Minimization, Mitigation Measure BIO-5: Giant Garter Snake Avoidance, Minimization, and Mitigation, Mitigation Measure BIO-6: Northwestern Pond Turtle Avoidance and Minimization, Mitigation Measure BIO 7: Avoid and Minimize Effects on Nesting Birds, Mitigation Measure BIO-8: Bat Avoidance and Minimization, Mitigation Measure BIO-9: Staging Areas and Access Routes, Mitigation Measure CUL 1: Cultural Resources Awareness Training, Mitigation Measure CUL-2: Implement Inadvertent Discovery Protocol for Archaeological Resources, including Potential Tribal Cultural Resources, Mitigation Measure GEO-2: Implement Appropriate Treatment Measures in Case of a Potential Fossil Discovery

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 known controversies are known to the Lead Agency.

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

Western Canal Water District