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SCH# 2025021019**Project Title:** Accelerated Drought Response Project

Lead Agency: San Benito County Water District

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City: Hollister

Zip: 95023

County: San Benito

Project Location: County San Benito

City/Nearest Community: Hollister

Cross Streets: San Felipe Road and Fallon Road

Zip Code: 95023

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 53 ' 10.2 " N / 121 ° 23 ' 56.36 " W Total Acres: Approx 91 (linear)

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple

Section: 00

Twp.: 12S

Range: 5E

Base: MDP

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy#: 156B

Waterways: Santa Ana Creek

Airports: Hollister Municipal

Railways: Na

Schools: Multiple

Document Type:CEQA: NOP Draft EIRNEPA: NOIOther: Joint Document Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document NegDec

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 Draft EIS Other: _____ MitNegDec

Other: _____

 FONSI**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: Utility Project**Development Type:** Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Educational: _____ Recreational: _____ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____ Transportation: Type _____ Mining: Mineral _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____ Other: Water storage and pipeline**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: _____**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Right of way, Agriculture

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

The San Benito County Water District (SBCWD) proposes to expand the West Hills Water Treatment Plant (WHWTP) near the City of Hollister, construct five Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) wells, and install new pipelines for recharge water transmission from the City of Hollister to the proposed ASR wells and recovery water from ASR wells to the City's distribution system. The proposed Project would have the capacity to inject, store, and recover up to 2,700 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water.

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

Starting Date N/A Ending Date N/A

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 4/10/25

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