

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

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From:

Public Agency: San Benito County Water Dist.
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Lead Agency (if different from above):

Address:

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 2115.2 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse) 202502019

Project Title: Accelerated Drought Response Project

Project Applicant: San Benito County Water District

Project Location (include any): Hollister, San Benito County

Project Description:

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.

This is to advise that the San Benito County Water District has approved the above (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on 04/10/2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at CEQAnet.org

Signature (Public Agency): Dana Jacobson Title: General Manager

Date: 4/10/25 Date Received for filing at OPR: