

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Lead Agency: City of San Carlos
Project Title: Station 115 - 2783 Melendy Drive Water Tank Project
Project Location: 2783 Melendy Drive
San Carlos, CA 94070
Project Applicant: Cal Water

The City of San Carlos (City) has prepared an Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) finding that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect, because design features, best management practices, and mitigation measures incorporated into the project will avoid potentially significant impacts. The City is the Lead Agency for the project. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15072, the City will provide this Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (Notice of Intent) to the public, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and the San Mateo County Clerk. The City will provide this Notice of Intent to the public by mailing it to the name and address of all organizations and individuals who have requested such notice in writing and local agencies with interest in the project.

Project Description: The City of San Carlos Planning Division has received a planning application from the California Water Service Company (Cal Water) for design review to construct a new 350,000-gallon water tank at Station 115 located at 2783 Melendy Drive (proposed project) in the San Carlos hills. The Station 115 site is approximately 1.14-acres in size (Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 050-180-020) and already contains a 250,000-gallon water tank, a small equipment building, and several cell phone towers. The site is adjacent to Heather School and Heather School Dog Park, and single and multi-family residential areas along Melendy Drive. The new tank at Station 115 would increase storage capacity within the Bayshore District and improve the efficiency and reliability of the District's water distribution system, especially after a seismic event which may impact distribution lines or electricity for pumping. Cal Water proposes to begin construction in Spring/Summer 2019 and have the new tank in-service by Fall/Winter 2019. Construction activities would involve: survey benchmark, layout, and orientation of tank; earthwork for tank foundation; tank foundation work, rebar, concreting and curing; bolted steel tank erection; site piping and electrical tie-ins; piping/tank pressure testing and disinfection before water quality sample collection; and final approval from Department of Drinking Water (DDW) to commission tank. Cal Water estimates the project would result in 123 cubic yards of cut and 0.3 cubic yards of fill.

Public Review Period: A 30-day public review period for the IS/MND will commence March 1, 2019 and continue through April 1, 2019. Interested individuals and public agencies may submit written comments on the document, which must be received by the City no later than 5:00 PM on April 1, 2019. Please send your comments to:

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Document Availability: Copies of the IS/MND and all documents referenced in the IS/MND are available for review at the Community Development Department at 600 Elm Street, San Carlos, CA 94070.

Signature

March 1, 2019

Date