

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

**TO:**

Governor's Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812

**FROM:**

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Financial Assistance  
1001 I Street 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:** 2007082014

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 3810001-003C

**DOCUMENT TITLE:** Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Expansion and Treated Water Reservoir (Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Ozonation Facility and Other Site Improvements Project) (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Sunol Valley, Alameda County

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The Applicant has applied for financial assistance from the State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program for the Project referred to internally as Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Ozonation Facility and Other Site Improvements Project. The Project includes the construction of a new ozonation facility on a 2.7-acre site at the Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant (SVWTP) to reduce the concentration of taste-and-odor causing compounds in the plant's raw water; provide additional primary disinfection with ozone; provide additional control of chlorinated disinfection byproducts; improve treatment reliability and provide oxidation of emerging contaminants, and color removal. The new ozonation facilities include: 1) a liquid oxygen and nitrogen facility including three vaporizers, three 15,000-gallon horizontal storage tanks, and one 1,500-gallon storage tank on an approximately 4,000-square-foot concrete foundation, 2) an approximately 9,000-square-foot ozone generation building, 3) an approximately 18,000-square-foot ozone contractor structure, 4) a raw water manifold on an approximately 10,000-square-foot concrete slab, and 5) an approximately 1,500-square-foot calcium thiosulfate facility including a 5,400-gallon storage tank.

Site improvements associated with the ozonation facilities include a new paved access road; five new parking spaces; new yard piping; new sodium hypochlorite and aqua ammonia metering pumps; replacement of three existing washwater recovery pumps with larger-horsepower pumps; replacement and relocation of an 80-foot-high radio tower with a 120-foot radio tower; one 21-kilovolt transformer; replacement of sanitary

holding tank, manholes, and piping; installation of stormwater catch basins, manholes, and piping; utility relocations and installation of landscaping and sidewalks; installation of a new emergency backup generator; and a bioswale. The Project also includes electrical equipment upgrades at facilities that deliver power to the SVWTP to ensure that the operation of the ozonation facility does not cause overloads on the Calaveras Substation main transformer.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has considered the Environmental Impact Report and Addendum prepared by the Lead Agency. Although the State Water Board has not determined whether to provide financial assistance for the Project, the State Water Board has completed its review of the CEQA documents for this Project and has approved the start of construction of the Project described above on November 12, 2024 in accordance with the regulations at 40 Code of Federal Regulations section 35.3525(a)(2)(i). The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission will be carrying out the Project. The State Water Board has made the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations regarding the Project:

1. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment. The Project will not have a significant effect on water quality impacts. This determination is limited to effects on water quality under the State Water Board's jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the start of construction of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for the Project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15091.

**LEAD AGENCY:** San Francisco Planning Department

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Timothy Johnston

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Project records and an analysis of environmental alternatives for the Project are available to the general public upon request at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Environmental Impact Report is available from the Lead Agency.

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