

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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Project Title: Los Angeles Groundwater Replenishment Project

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Project Location: Los Angeles

Los Angeles

City

County

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

The modified Proposed Project consists of the installation of approximately 90 linear feet of buried 16-inch diameter stainless steel pipeline. This would link the existing outlet pipeline of the Japanese Garden Lake to the existing intake pipeline that routes wastewater to the DCTWRP headworks facility from the Additional Valley Outfall Relief Sewer. New diversion structures and valves would be installed at the outlet and on the DCTWRP wastewater intake pipeline to allow for the diversion of water from the Japanese Garden Lake to the DCTWRP, for eventual recharge to groundwater or other recycled water use consistent with the previously-approved LAGWR. The new pipeline would be buried approximately 25 feet below grade and would require excavation along its alignment. Installation of the pipeline and valves would take approximately 10 active working days to complete and would occur intermittently over a period of up to 3 months. As a result of the project modifications, there would be a decrease in flow of recycled water to the LA River. This change in the point of discharge, place of use, and purpose of use of recycled water from DCTWRP would result in an average decrease in flow of approximately 4 million gallons a day (MGD) to the LA River downstream of the Japanese Garden discharge point and is subject to the discretionary approval by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). DCTWRP is located at 6100 Woodley Avenue, in the Encino and Van Nuys community of the City of Los Angeles.

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

The modified Proposed Project will not contribute to any new significant or potentially significant effects. The Proposed Project was noted to potentially impact biological resources (nesting birds) during construction activities. These impacts were identified in the original Environmental Impact Report. The applicable mitigation measures to reduce the effect that were outlined in the original Environmental Impact Report include:

- Delineating work areas with fencing or other boundary markers and clearly marking project limits on project maps
- Limit construction activities to designated construction limits
- Stage all equipment in designated areas outside of jurisdictional wetlands or waters and within project limits
- Keep construction work zone as clean of debris as possible
- Pets of project personnel are not allowed on the project site
- Prohibit disposal or temporary placement of excess fill and other debris in or along the banks of water features. Clearly designate stockpile areas prior to the start of construction
- Prepare a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
- Conduct a preconstruction nesting survey within 3 days prior to start of construction activities
- Establish an appropriate buffer zone if work must occur within the vicinity of an active bird nest
- If nest avoidance is not feasible, the qualified biologist must determine if an exception is possible or to recommend ceasing work within the avoidance buffer zone until the nest is determined to be inactive

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

- Potential impacts to habitat, recreation, water quality, biological resources, and aesthetics as a result of flow reductions to the Los Angeles River.
- Concerns regarding cumulative impacts for other flow reduction projects.

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

- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- California Air Resources Board
- California Coastal Commission
- California Department of Conservation
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- California Department of General Services
- California Department of Health Care Services
- California Department of Housing & Community Development
- California Department of Water Resources
- California Division of Boating & Waterways
- California Office of Historic Preservation
- CalTrans District 7
- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Region 4)
- State of California Wildlife Conservation Board
- State Water Resources Control Board (Water Rights)
- Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA)
- South Coast Air Quality Management District
- Los Angeles Department of Public Works Bureau of Sanitation and Environment