

Notice of Determination

TO: Monterey County
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Salinas, CA 93901

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From: Marina Coast Water District (MCWD), 11 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933

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SUBJECT: Filing of a Notice of Determination for the MCWD Regional Urban Recycled Water Project (RWP) in Compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

EIR Project Title: MCWD Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project (RUWAP)

State Clearinghouse Number: 2003081142

Project Location: The proposed service area for the RWP is located on the coast of Monterey Bay at the northwest end of the Salinas Valley in Monterey County, California. See attached map.

Project Description: The RWP, the recycled water component of the RUWAP, consists of construction of a recycled water distribution system to provide recycled water from the existing Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA) Salinas Valley Reclamation Project recycled wastewater treatment facility (SVRP) to urban users in the MCWD service area and former Fort Ord which include the Cities of Marina, Seaside, and Del Rey Oaks, and the County of Monterey. This project has also been referred to as both the Regional Urban Recycled Water Project and the Recycled Water Project; therefore, project documentation may refer to the RWP in one or more of these ways. Figure 1 shows the RUWAP pipeline.

The RWP pipeline and the proposed Pure Water Monterey (PWM) Groundwater Replenishment Project (GWR) product water conveyance pipeline are located along the same pipeline alignment. A combined RUWAP-PWM/GWR pipeline is proposed to deliver advanced treated water for urban irrigation as well as direct injection using the RWP conveyance system. Figure 2 shows the new RWP pipeline segments shared between RUWAP and PWM/GWR.

The RWP is fully described in the RUWAP EIR and Addenda 1 and 2. Addendum 3 addresses the combined conveyance facilities and analyzes all impacts compared to the RUWAP EIR. The RWP includes the following facility components:

- A connection to the AWTF, assumed to connect at the MRWPCA fenceline,
- A distribution system consisting of approximately 40,000 linear feet of pipeline within existing roadway rights-of-way, along the RUWAP EIR alignment and RUWAP Alignment from the PWM/GWR EIR,
- Lateral distribution lines to serve end users from the main distribution alignment,
- One storage tank at an existing MCWD storage tank site referred to as the Blackhorse Reservoir,

- One intermediate booster pump station located in the City of Marina referred to as the 5th Avenue Pump Station, and
- Pressure reducing valves and appurtenances.

This notice is to advise that on October 2004, the Board of Directors of the MCWD (Board) certified the RUWAP EIR pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and, on May 2005, approved the RUWAP. On October 25, 2006, the Board adopted Addendum No. 1 to the RUWAP EIR, and on November 15, 2006, approved the RWP as described above (including associated changes to the RUWAP), and adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program. On February 14, 2007, the Board adopted Addendum No. 2 to the RUWAP EIR, approved the changes to the RWP (including associated changes to the RUWAP), and adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

On April 18, 2016, the Board adopted Addendum No. 3 to the RUWAP EIR, approved the changes to the RWP (including associated changes to the RUWAP), and adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, finding that an addendum in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15164 was appropriate because none of the criterion enumerated in CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 had been met. Changes analyzed in Addendum No. 3 and approved on April 18, 2016, include reduction in total length of pipeline facilities, number of storage facilities, number of pump stations, revisions on certain sizing on sections of pipeline and shared pipeline and conveyance along the alignment. At a minimum, the Project as proposed in Addendum No. 3 would not result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects. In many instances the impact areas are significantly reduced due to the reduction in total length of pipeline and elimination of a storage facility and a pump station.

In addition, the Board made the following determinations regarding the RWP:

1. The project: _ will have a significant effect on the environment.
 will **not** have a significant effect on the environment with implementation of mitigation.
2. An Environmental Impact Report **was** prepared and certified 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 _ were not] made a condition of approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program **was** _ was not] adopted.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [_ was **was not**] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [**were** _ were not] made pursuant to Section 15091 of CEQA Guidelines.

This is to certify that the Final EIR, Addendum No. 1-3 to the EIR, and record of project approval may be examined at the MCWD offices, 11 Reservation Road, Marina California, 93933.

Name: Michael Wegley Title: District Engineer

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Date Received for Filing at OPR: _____