

STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The General Manager for the Stockton East Water District (SEWD) prepares, makes, declares and publishes this proposed Negative Declaration for the following described project:

Colombini Water Diversion (MS-14) in Mosher Creek

Project Description:

Construction of a new surface water diversion in Mosher Creek for the purpose of irrigating agricultural lands adjacent to the creek. Construction will occur during a non-flow period for the creek and consist of disturbing about 65-cubic yards of river bed and bank necessary to install a sump and pipeline for the water diversion. Once construction in the channel is complete and the disturbed areas restored, a pump capable of conveying 3,000 gallons per minute (gpm) of surface water will be installed on the sump. Similar diversions exists up and downstream of this location. The cost of piping water from these existing diversions (as an alternative) was deemed uneconomical due to the distance between such diversions.

Project Location:

The project site is in the County of San Joaquin, State of California, Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 7 East, on the Assessor's Parcel Number 063-210-07. The diversion will be installed on the north bank of the Mosher Creek.

Determination:

SEWD has reviewed the proposed project and has determined that the project, as described above and analyzed in the attached Initial Study, will not have a significant effect on the environment. An Environmental Impact Report is not required pursuant to the Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (Division 13 of the Public Resources Code of the State of California).

Public Review:


This Initial Study/Negative Declaration has been prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and contains an environmental review of the potential impacts of the proposed project. This Initial Study/Negative Declaration is being circulated for over 30 days from 1/7/2011 to 2/7/2011. Comments on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration can be sent by 12:00 noon on 2/7/2011 to:

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Comments will be reviewed by SEWD, and the Initial Study/Negative Declaration will be revised, as appropriate, prior to adoption of the proposed Negative Declaration by SEWD, which is scheduled for 2/15/2011.

This environmental review process and Negative Declaration filing is pursuant to Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 6, Section 15070 of the California Administrative Code.

A copy of this document may be reviewed/ obtained at the Stockton East Water District, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, California, 95215.


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