

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

<p>Notice is hereby given that the public agency named below has completed an Initial Study of the following described project at the following location:</p>		
Public Agency:	Rancho California Water District	
Project Name:	Disinfection System Improvements at the Ace Bowen and Senga Doherty Pump Stations	
Project Description:	<p>The Project consists of construction and operation of sodium hypochlorite generation and chloramination facilities at two existing potable water pump stations: the Ace Bowen Pump Station [Project Nos. D1548 and D1672] and the Senga Doherty Pump Station [Project No. D1624]. A detailed description of the Project is included in the Project Initial Study, available for review at the District's office at the address cited below.</p>	
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	<p>Both pump station sites are located on District-owned property in Riverside County, California.</p> <p>The Ace Bowen site is located southeasterly of the intersection of Via Santa Rosa and Calle Cuesta, approximately 0.5 mile northerly of the Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve, and approximately 0.6 mile westerly of the westerly boundary of the City of Temecula, in Riverside County, California.</p> <p>The Senga Doherty site is located south of Elm Street, southwest of Washington Avenue and RCWD's existing recycled water storage ponds, and north of Rancho California Road, in the City of Murrieta in Riverside County California.</p> <p>The Project locations are depicted on Figures 1 and 2, copies of which are included with each copy of the Project Initial Study.</p>	
<p>This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the Lead Agency's Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, the Lead Agency's Staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and has therefore prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.</p>		
<p><input type="checkbox"/> The Project site IS on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.</p>		
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Project site IS NOT on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5.</p>		
<p><input type="checkbox"/> The proposed project IS considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.</p>		
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The proposed project IS NOT considered a project of statewide, regional or areawide significance.</p>		
<p><input type="checkbox"/> The proposed project WILL affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.</p>		
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The proposed project WILL NOT affect highways or other facilities under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation.</p>		
<p><input type="checkbox"/> A scoping meeting WILL be held by the Lead Agency.</p>		
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A scoping meeting WILL NOT be held by the Lead Agency.</p>		
<p>If the project meets the criteria requiring the scoping meeting, or if the agency voluntarily elects to hold such a meeting, the date, time and location of the scoping meeting are as follows:</p>		
Date:	Time:	Location:
<p>Copies of the Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and are available for public review at the Lead Agency's office, located at: 42135 Winchester Road, Temecula, CA 92590</p>		
<p>The proposed Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration can be obtained in electronic format by the following method: <a href="http://www.ranchowater.com">www.ranchowater.com</a></p>		
<p>Lead Agency address: 42135 Winchester Road, Temecula, CA 92590</p>		
<p>Comments will be received from December 19, 2016 to January 17, 2017</p>		
<p>Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the Lead Agency prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 17, 2017. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested.</p>		

The Lead Agency will consider the project and the Draft Negative Declaration/Mitigated Negative Declaration at its meeting on:

Date: February 9, 2017

Time: 8:30 AM

If the Lead Agency finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. This means that the Lead Agency may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Date Received  
for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_

12/12/16



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