

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
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1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
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FROM:

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

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2022010175

PROJECT NUMBER: 8682-110

DOCUMENT TITLE: Yuba City Wastewater Treatment Facility Outfall and Diffuser Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located in the southeastern portion of Yuba City, California and unincorporated Sutter County. The project begins in the open space just east of the Shanghai Bend subdivision extending south of Levee Road and crossing over existing farmland to Garden Highway. The project continues south on Garden Highway and crosses over private property into the Feather River.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as Wastewater Treatment Facility Outfall and Diffuser Project. The Project includes the following:

- Modifications to the existing effluent pumps at the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) to accommodate the new, longer outfall pipeline and a new surge control system to be located just south of the existing WWTF effluent pump station,
- A bifurcation station and flow meter at the connection to the existing outfall pipeline to send and meter flows to the new outfall or to the disposal ponds,
- Approximately two miles of new outfall pipeline, beginning at the bifurcation station and ending at the new diffuser,
- A vacuum-assisted siphon priming system at the levee crossing, including vacuum primer building, priming valve vault, and primer trap structure,
- Diffuser structure consisting of 250 linear feet of new 36-inch diameter welded steel pipe buried within the Feather River, with sixteen 12-inch diameter risers with ports extending above the riverbed,

- An access ramp along the Feather River West Levee for use by the construction contractor and as a permanent access for the City,
- New power connections to the bifurcation station and vacuum-assisted siphon building, and
- Acquisition of easements to accommodate these project features on affected properties, as well as temporary construction easements.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has considered the Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Lead Agency. The State Water Board has approved funding for the Project described above on July 15, 2026. The City of Yuba City 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. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted for the Project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval of the Project.
4. A mitigation monitoring and reporting plan/program was adopted for the Project.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Yuba City

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Records of the financing approval 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, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is available from the Lead Agency.

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