

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: 2024080016

Project Title: Sunset Weir and Pumps Fish Passage Project

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Project Location: Sutter and Yuba Counties

City

County

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

The Proposed Project consists of the following features:

- * Removal of the Sunset Weir and restoration of natural, volitional passage conditions for protected migratory fish species.
- * Replacement and upgrade of the Sunset Pump Station to operate at a lower surface water elevation and rehabilitation of existing pump discharge pipelines.
- * Installation of new fish screens that meet current State and federal standards for protecting fish.
- * Eroded Feather River left bank stabilization downstream of the weir incorporating bioengineering techniques.

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

Potential to result in a cumulatively considerable net increase in criteria pollutant or expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations: implement Mitigation Measures AIR-1 through AIR-3 and 3.5-1 that require implementation of equipment control measures and the use of off-road construction equipment that meet CARB and EPA's Tier 4 Final emission standards.

Potential to cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource: implement Mitigation Measures CUL-3, CUL-4 and 3.8-1 that require development of Historic Properties Treatment Plan, cultural resources and Tribal cultural resources awareness training for project personnel, monitoring and an Inadvertent Discovery Plan.

Potential to cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a Tribal cultural resource: implement Mitigation Measures TRC-1 and TCR-2 and 3.13-1 that require development of Historic Properties Treatment Plan, monitoring, and an Inadvertent Discovery Plan.

The Proposed Project would also implement all applicable SRGO PEIR mitigation measures, general protection measures and species protection measures, as outlined in Appendix B of the Draft SEIR.

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

DWR prepared and published a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an SEIR on August 1, 2024 (State Clearinghouse No. 2024080016). The NOP was circulated to the public and to federal, State, and local agencies and other interested parties to solicit comments on the Proposed Project. The public comment period for the NOP closed on August 30, 2024. In addition to the public and agency comment period, a public scoping meeting was held in person with a virtual option on August 15, 2024, at the Yuba City Council Chambers. No comments were received at the scoping meeting. Written comments received in response to the NOP included concerns about recreational use in the Feather River and along its banks.

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

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
National Marine Fisheries Service
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
State Water Resources Control Board
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
State Historic Preservation Office
State Lands Commission
Central Valley Flood Protection Board
Levee District No. 9
Sutter Extension Water District
Sutter County
Yuba County