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SCH #

Project Title: Jefferson Avenue Interconnection Project

Lead Agency: Western Municipal Water District | Contact Person: Cesar Carrillo, P.E., Engineer

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City: Riverside | Zip: 92518 | County: Riverside

Project Location: County: Riverside | City/Nearest Community: Murrieta

Cross Streets: Jefferson Avenue between Guava Street and Elm Street | Zip Code: 92562

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): ____° ____′ ____″ N / ____° ____′ ____″ W | Total Acres: 1.8

Assessor's Parcel No.: N/A | Section: 21,22 & 27 | Twp.: 07 South | Range: 03 West | Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-15 and I-215 | Waterways:

Airports: | Railways: | Schools:

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP ☐ Early Cons ☐ Neg Dec ☒ Mit Neg Dec ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Other:

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Site Plan
☐ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☐ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: project approval

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units ____ Acres ____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Educational:
☐ Recreational:
☒ Water Facilities: Type pipeline MGD 0.2
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☐ Power: Type MW
☐ Waste Treatment: Type MGD
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☐ Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual
☒ Agricultural Land
☒ Air Quality
☒ Archeological/Historical
☒ Biological Resources
☐ Coastal Zone
☒ Drainage/Absorption
☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal
☒ Flood Plain/Flooding
☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard
☒ Geologic/Seismic
☒ Minerals
☒ Noise
☒ Population/Housing Balance
☒ Public Services/Facilities
☒ Recreation/Parks
☒ Schools/Universities
☒ Septic Systems
☒ Sewer Capacity
☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading
☒ Solid Waste
☒ Toxic/Hazardous
☒ Traffic/Circulation
☒ Vegetation
☒ Water Quality
☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Growth Inducement
☒ Land Use
☒ Cumulative Effects
☒ Other: GHG emissions, energy, wildfire

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Existing public roadway ROW - does not have General Plan/zoning designations

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The proposed project consists of installation of an approximately one-mile, 18-inch water pipeline, two 16-inch interconnections to Rancho California Water District's (RCWD) existing 36-inch domestic water pipelines on each end of the proposed pipeline, and two interconnection vaults along with associated aboveground appurtenances, such as a water quality station, metering pedestal, blow offs, and air vacuum release valves. The project would extend service to certain developed land uses within Western Municipal Water District's (Western) service area, specifically within Murrieta's Innovation Zone. The Innovation Zone comprises a mix of developed and undeveloped parcels, some of which currently lack municipal water service and are solely relying on private well production. The Innovation Zone is intended to accommodate a wide variety of non-residential uses and have a campus-like, mixed-use business setting, and development of this area was anticipated in the City of Murrieta's most recent General Plan Update. Although the pipeline would be installed by Western within Western's service area, the pipeline would be connected to RCWD's distribution system, and water conveyed throughout the pipeline would be supplied by RCWD, which has adequate pressure and available water supplies to serve this area. The proposed pipeline would not connect physically to Western's distribution system.

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X	Air Resources Board	X	Office of Historic Preservation
	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency		Parks & Recreation, Department of
	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 8		Public Utilities Commission
	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 8
	Caltrans Planning	X	Resources Agency
	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of		State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission		SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of		SWRCB: Water Quality
	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 6		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of	X	Toxic Substances Control, Department of
X	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of		Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of	X	Other: SWRCB: Division of Drinking Water
	Housing & Community Development		Other:
X	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 25, 2024 Ending Date October 24, 2024

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: _____ **Date:** 9/25/2024

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