



State Water Resources Control Board

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CALLEGUAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT (WATER SYSTEM), INITIAL STUDY/NOTICE OF PREPARATION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (IS/NOP) FOR THE SMITH ROAD TANK (PROJECT), STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #2025050076

Dear Jennifer Lancaster:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the IS/NOP for the proposed Project. The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW), issues domestic water supply permits under the Safe Drinking Water Act. This Project falls under DDW's Santa Barbara District jurisdiction. The Santa Barbara District issues permit amendments according to Title 22 California Code of Regulations chapter 16. Public water systems need a permit amendment for changes in water sources, new reservoirs, service area expansions of twenty percent or more, and treatment design capacity or process changes as per Cal. Code Regs. § 64556. The Water System must apply for an amendment for the new reservoir.

Pursuant to the Waterworks Standards, Cal. Code Regs., § 64585 subd. [b], the Water System is required to submit to the Santa Barbara District design drawings and specifications for a proposed distribution reservoir prior to its construction.

The State Water Board, DDW, as a responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has the following comments on the IS/NOP:

- The Project will install a 3.5-million-gallon tank (PDF page 6). The Water System must apply for a domestic water supply permit amendment for the addition of a new reservoir, 100,000-gallon capacity or greater, to the distribution system (Cal. Code. Regs. §64556). Under 2.7 Anticipated Permits and Approvals, please list "State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water" under "Agency" and "Domestic Water Supply Permit Amendment" under "Permits/Approvals" (PDF page 15).

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When the CEQA process is completed, please forward the following items with the permit application to the State Water Board, DDW Santa Barbara District at DWPDIST06@waterboards.ca.gov:

- The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP);
- The Resolution or Board Minutes certifying/adopting the EIR and MMRP and approving the Project; and
- The date stamped Notice of Determination filed at the County Clerk's Office and the State Clearinghouse.

Please contact Lori Schmitz of the State Water Board at (916) 449-5285 or Lori.Schmitz@waterboards.ca.gov, for questions regarding this comment letter.

Sincerely,

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