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California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Determination

To: ☒ **Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation**
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From: **Responsible Agency:**
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
P.O. Box 54153
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153

Contact: Brenda Marines, bmarines@mwdh2o.com

Subject:
Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Agreement for Water Service with Barona Band of Mission Indians, San Diego County Water Authority, Ramona Municipal Water District, and The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

State Clearinghouse Number	Lead Agency/Applicant Contact Person	Telephone/Email
2025050138	Ramona Municipal Water District / Barona Indian Tribe Potable and Recycled Water Infrastructure Project Contact: Erica Wolski	(760) 789-1330 ewolski@rmwd.org

Project Location (include county): San Diego County within the community of Ramona and Barona Indian Reservation. (Please see the attached Figures 1 and 2 from the Mitigated Negative Declaration and information provided in the Lead Agency's NOD).

Project Description: On September 9, 2025, The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) authorized its General Manager to enter into an agreement with San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA), Barona Band of Mission Indians (Barona), and Ramona Municipal Water District (Ramona) to provide water service to approximately 1,784 acres of the Barona Reservation. The Metropolitan Board has authorized a one-time charge equivalent to the present value of the ad valorem property taxes. Additionally, normal annexation and processing fees, and charges associated with Metropolitan's annexation process are included in the agreement. The portion of the Barona Reservation that would be served via this agreement is currently developed areas and areas planned for development.

This is to advise that The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California as a **Responsible Agency** under CEQA reviewed and considered the Lead Agency's approved Mitigated Negative on September 9, 2025 and made the following determinations regarding the water service agreement project:

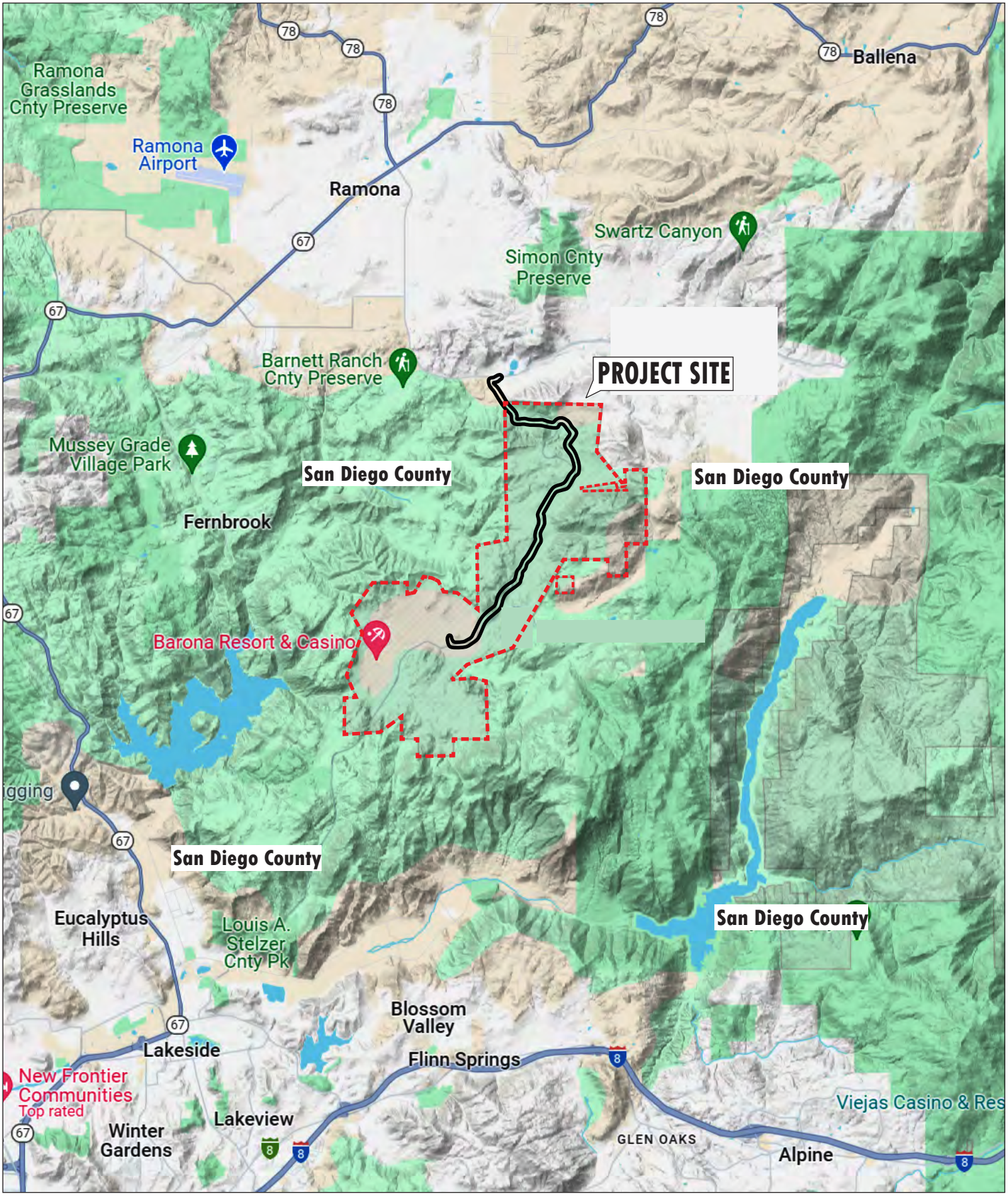
1. The project **will not** have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A **Mitigated Negative Declaration** was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring Report or Monitoring Plan **was** adopted for the project.
5. Findings **were** made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
6. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted for the project.

The approved Mitigated Negative Declaration, MMRP, Findings, and related CEQA documentation and record of project approval are on file at Metropolitan's headquarters at 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

Signature	Title	Date
DocuSigned by: Sean Carlson A67ED56B8C2944F6... Sean Carlson	Team Manager, Environmental Planning Section	September 11, 2025

Date received for filing at County or OPR: _____

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Pipeline Study Area

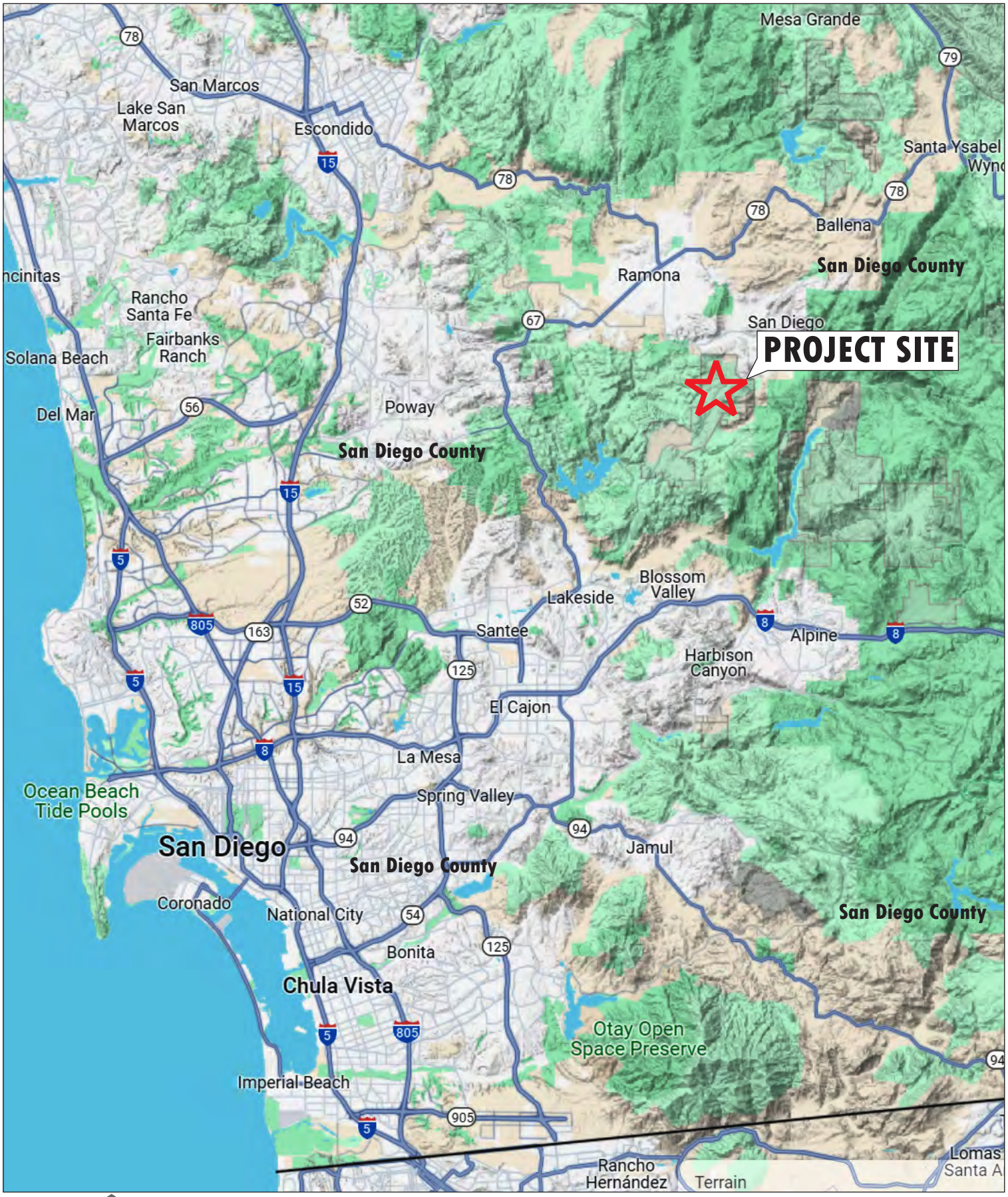
Reservation Boundary

VICINITY MAP

RAMONA-BARONA WATER PIPELINE PROJECT
BARONA INDIAN RESERVATION
County of San Diego, California

FIGURE 1

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REGIONAL VICINITY MAP

RAMONA-BARONA WATER PIPELINE PROJECT
BARONA INDIAN RESERVATION
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FIGURE 2

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CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

AGREEMENT FOR WATER SERVICE TO THE BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS (SCH 2025050138)

Check Document being Filed:

- ○ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ◉ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- ○ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ○ Other (Please fill in type):

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DFW 753 5a (Rev 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753 5a

RECEIPT NUMBER	
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STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (*If applicable*)	
2025050138	

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RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT		09/03/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		**DOCUMENT NUMBER**
SAN DIEGO		252-NOD-0085

PROJECT TITLE
AGREEMENT FOR WATER SERVICE TO THE BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS (SCH 2025050138)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT			760-789-1330
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
105 EARLHAM STREET	RAMONA	CA	92065

PROJECT APPLICANT (*Check appropriate box*)
☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,123 50	$	0 00
☒ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	$2,968 75	$	0 00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,401 75	$	0 00

☐ Exempt from fee
- ☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)
- ☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☒ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850 00	$	0 00
☒ County documentary handling fee		$	50 00
☐ Other		$	0 00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☒ Other **TOTAL RECEIVED** $ 50 00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X Steve Sangthai	San Diego County Clerk, STEVE SANGTHAI, Deputy

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San Diego County Water Authority

TO: **State Clearinghouse**
Office of Planning and Research
Submitted Electronically via CEQASubmit

County Clerk
County of San Diego
1600 Pacific Highway Suite 260
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: **Responsible Agency: San Diego County Water Authority**
4677 Overland Avenue
San Diego, CA 92123-1233
Contact: Sean Paver (858) 522-6753

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21152 of the Public Resources Code

Project Title: Agreement for Water Service to the Barona Band of Mission Indians (SCH 2025050138)

Project Applicant & Lead Agency: Ramona Municipal Water District
105 Earlham Street
Ramona, CA 92065
(760) 789-1330

Project Location: San Diego County within the community of Ramona and Barona Indian Reservation

Project Description: The San Diego County Water Authority entered into an agreement with the Ramona Municipal Water District to deliver potable water to the Barona Reservation. The agreement allows for the delivery of up to 1,500 acre-feet of potable water per year and infrastructure improvements needed for the water deliveries

This is to advise that San Diego County Water Authority, acting as **Responsible Agency**, has approved the above-described project on August 28, 2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the project:

1. The project **will not** have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A **Mitigated Negative Declaration** was prepared for this 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 Program **was** adopted for the project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted for the project.
6. Findings **were** made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval is available to the General Public at the San Diego County Water Authority Administration Building, 4677 Overland Avenue, San Diego, California 92123 and https://www.sdcwa.org/projects-programs/programs/environmental/.

Date August 28, 2025

Summer Adleberg, Water Resources Manager

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LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT		06/11/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
SAN DIEGO	252-NOD-0059

PROJECT TITLE
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT / BARONA INDIAN TRIBE POTABLE AND RECYCLED WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT			760-789-1330
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
105 EARLHAM STREET	RAMONA	CA	92065

PROJECT APPLICANT (*Check appropriate box*)
☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☒ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,123.50	$	0.00
☒ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	$2,968.75	$	2,968.75
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,401.75	$	0.00

☐ Exempt from fee
- ☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)
- ☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$	0.00
☒ County documentary handling fee		$	50.00
☐ Other		$	0.00

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X	San Diego County Clerk, JESSADITH EDORA, Deputy

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:	☐ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or ☒ County Clerk Address: County of San Diego 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402 San Diego, CA 92101	FROM:	Public Agency/Lead Agency Name: **Ramona Municipal Water District** Address: 105 Earlham Street Ramona, CA 92065 Contact: Erica Wolski Phone: 760-789-1330
			Email: ewolski@rmwd.org
TO:	☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Rm. 113 Sacramento, CA 95814	Lead Agency (if different from above)	
		Address:	
		Contact:	
		Phone:	

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to SCH): 2025050138

Project Title: **Ramona Municipal Water District / Barona Indian Tribe Potable and Recycled Water Infrastructure Project**

Project Applicant (include address, telephone number and email address):

Ramona Municipal Water District, 105 Earlham Street, Ramona, CA 92065; ewolski@rmwd.org; 760-789-1330

Specific Project Location – Identify street address and cross street or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 ½' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):

The Project in San Diego County/Community of Ramona and Barona Indian Reservation: San Diego County. Beginning at the San Vicente Wastewater Reclamation Plant to San Vicente Road and Wildcat Canyon Road, then southward onto the Barona Reservation.

All elements of the Proposed Project lie within Section 35, T13S, R1E, SBB&M (off-Reservation), and T14S, R1 and 2E, SBB&M (unsectioned because formerly Mexican land grant – Rancho Barona). The Project Site includes all or a portion of the following APNs:

328-050-01	330-070-21	330-070-18
331-010-01	328-080-01	329-070-01
328-120-03	328-100-02	329-070-02
330-020-01	330-070-20	330-030-05

General Project Location (City and/or County): Ramona, Unincorporated Area, Barona Indian Reservation, San Diego County

Project Description: The Project proposes an 8-inch recycled water pipeline commences at the San Vicente Wastewater Reclamation Plant, at an existing District pump station located just northeast of the intersection of Vicente

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Meadows Road and San Vicente Road. Once the proposed 8-inch recycled water pipeline leaving the San Vicente Wastewater Treatment Plant reaches the intersection of San Vicente Road and Wildcat Canyon Road, it will share the alignment and run parallel with the proposed 12-inch potable water pipeline in Wildcat Canyon Road. A horizontal separation of 4 feet must be maintained between the recycled and potable water pipelines throughout the alignment. This portion of Wildcat Canyon Road is maintained by the San Diego County Department of Public Works (DPW) and thus subject to the County's design standards and permitting requirements. Approximately 3000 LF of recycled water pipeline and 2100 LF of potable water pipeline will be constructed off-Reservation. After crossing the Barona Tribal Reservation boundary, the proposed recycled and potable water pipelines will run within the Wildcat Canyon Road right-of-way for approximately 0.35 miles before shifting eastward and moving off the road outside of the County right-of-way. The pipes continue to share an alignment until the recycled water line connects to the existing Golf Course Line approximately 1200 feet southeast of the Giant San Diego Paintball Park while the potable line continues overland approximately 20,200 feet until it joins the existing domestic water distribution system.
Identify the person or entity undertaking the project, including any private applicant, any other person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the project, and any person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the project. Ramona Municipal Water District is responsible for the off-reservation portion of the project being constructed between the northern Barona Reservation boundary and the San Vicente Water Reclamation Plant on San Vicente Road. Barona Band of Mission Indians is responsible for the on-reservation portion of the project that is being constructed from the northern boundary of the Reservation down to the Barona Tribal Office on Barona Road.

This is to advise that the (☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency), **the Board of Directors of Ramona Municipal Water District,** has approved the above described project on **June 10, 2025** and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1.	The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.	
2. ☐	An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.	
☐	A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.	
☒	A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of the Lead Agency.	
3. ☒	Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.	
4. ☒	A Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.	
5. ☐	A Statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.	
6. ☒	Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.	
	This is to certify that the Final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to General Public at:	
	Custodian: Ramona Municipal Water District and Barona Band of Mission Indians	Location: 105 Earlham Street, Ramona, CA 92065 1095 Barona Road, Lakeside, CA 92040

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Date: 6/11/2025	Name Erica Wolski Title General Manager

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Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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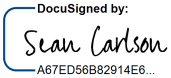
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