



PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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CITY OF MADERA

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Madera (City), intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the City's Northeast Water Storage Tank, Booster Pump Station and Transmission Main Project (collectively, the "Project").

The Project will include construction of water supply and associated distribution infrastructure and facilities for City drinking water and fire protection purposes. The initial phase (Phase 1) includes the construction of one 2.5-million-gallon (mg) water storage tank, booster pump station and installation of related facilities and improvements on ± 2.89 acres of property (APN 038-030-031) located on the west side of North Lake Street between Martin and Ellis Streets (the "project site") in the unincorporated area of the County of Madera (County). Phase 1 construction will also include installation of $\pm 13,200$ linear feet of transmission main to connect the project site to City Well Station 38. The Project also includes preliminary design considerations for two latter phases of development in anticipation of required facility expansions, including installation of an additional storage tank (Phase 2) and discharge capacity expansions (Phases 2 & 3) to meet the City's future demand projections. The Project will be carried out by the City and in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City will be the lead agency. Development of the project site located within the jurisdiction of the County will require approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) by the County.

Pursuant to the provisions of CEQA, an Initial Study/MND has been prepared, describing the degree of potential environmental impacts of the proposed Project. The proposed Project does not involve land that is listed as a hazardous materials site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and is not included on a list compiled by the Department of Toxic Substances Control. The City has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this Project and has determined that the impacts will either be less than significant or less than significant with mitigation measures incorporated. Copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review at the City of Madera Engineering Department, 428 East Yosemite Avenue, Madera, CA 93638. A copy of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration can also be found at www.madera.gov/home/departments/planning/#tr-current-projects-environmental-review. The public review period during which the City will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on September 6, 2025 and will close 4:00 PM on October 6, 2025. Comments shall be submitted in writing and addressed to Will Tackett, Community Development Director, at the City of Madera, 205 West 4th Street, Madera, CA 93637 or sent via email to wtackett@madera.gov. For additional

information, please contact Steve Bettencourt, Senior Civil Engineer, at (559) 661-5428 or by email at sbettencourt@madera.gov, or visit the website address noted above.

A public hearing to consider the MND and MMRP is tentatively scheduled for inclusion on the Planning Commission agenda on October 14, 2025, at 6:00 pm or thereafter. Hearing information can be found at <http://www.madera.gov/home/departments/planning/agendas-minutes/> a minimum 72 hours in advance of the public meeting.