



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION for the Wells W9 and W10 PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project

DATE: October 3, 2025

TO: Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Interested Parties

LEAD AGENCY: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

PROJECT TITLE: Wells W9 and W10 PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) has prepared a Draft Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the project listed above pursuant to the *State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines* Section 15000 et seq. Anyone desiring to comment on the IS-MND may do so in writing within the 30-day public review period from October 3, 2025, through 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2025.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project site is comprised of an approximately 36 acre maximum project area and a 1.6-acre impact area, spanning Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 2810-002-101 and 2810-067-008. The project also includes approximately 11,000 linear feet of the Public Right-of-Way for the San Francisquito Creek Trail, which travels generally north-south on the west side of San Francisquito Creek through Santa Clarita. No hazardous waste sites identified on lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 are present on the project site.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Wells W9 and W10 PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project (herein referred to as "proposed project" or "project") involves construction of a per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) groundwater treatment and disinfection facility, rehabilitation of Wells W9 and W10, and construction of an approximately 8,000-foot raw water pipeline along San Francisquito Creek Trail. To allow for truck access to the treatment facility, the existing access easement along San Francisquito Creek Trail would be expanded in three locations: near the access road entrance off Copper Hill Drive, along the trail near Village Circle Drive, and at the Well W9 site. The proposed facility would treat PFAS in pumped groundwater to levels below the federal Maximum Contaminant Level, restore the use of Wells W9 and W10, and reduce SCV Water's dependency on imported water.

Approximate locations of the groundwater treatment facility, the new Well W9 site, and the raw water pipeline are shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2; the final location of project components would be located within the Maximum Project Boundary shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

Pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, an Initial Study was prepared for the project. The Initial Study describes the environmental impacts of the project and suggests mitigation measures where necessary to reduce impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise, tribal cultural resources, and wildfire to less-than-significant levels. The proposed mitigation measures will be implemented as part of the project to ensure



the project will not generate a significant adverse impact on the environment during construction and operation. Based on this assessment, a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/REVIEW:

In accordance with Section 15073 of the *State CEQA Guidelines*, the Draft IS-MND is available for public review from October 3, 2025 through November 3, 2025 at:

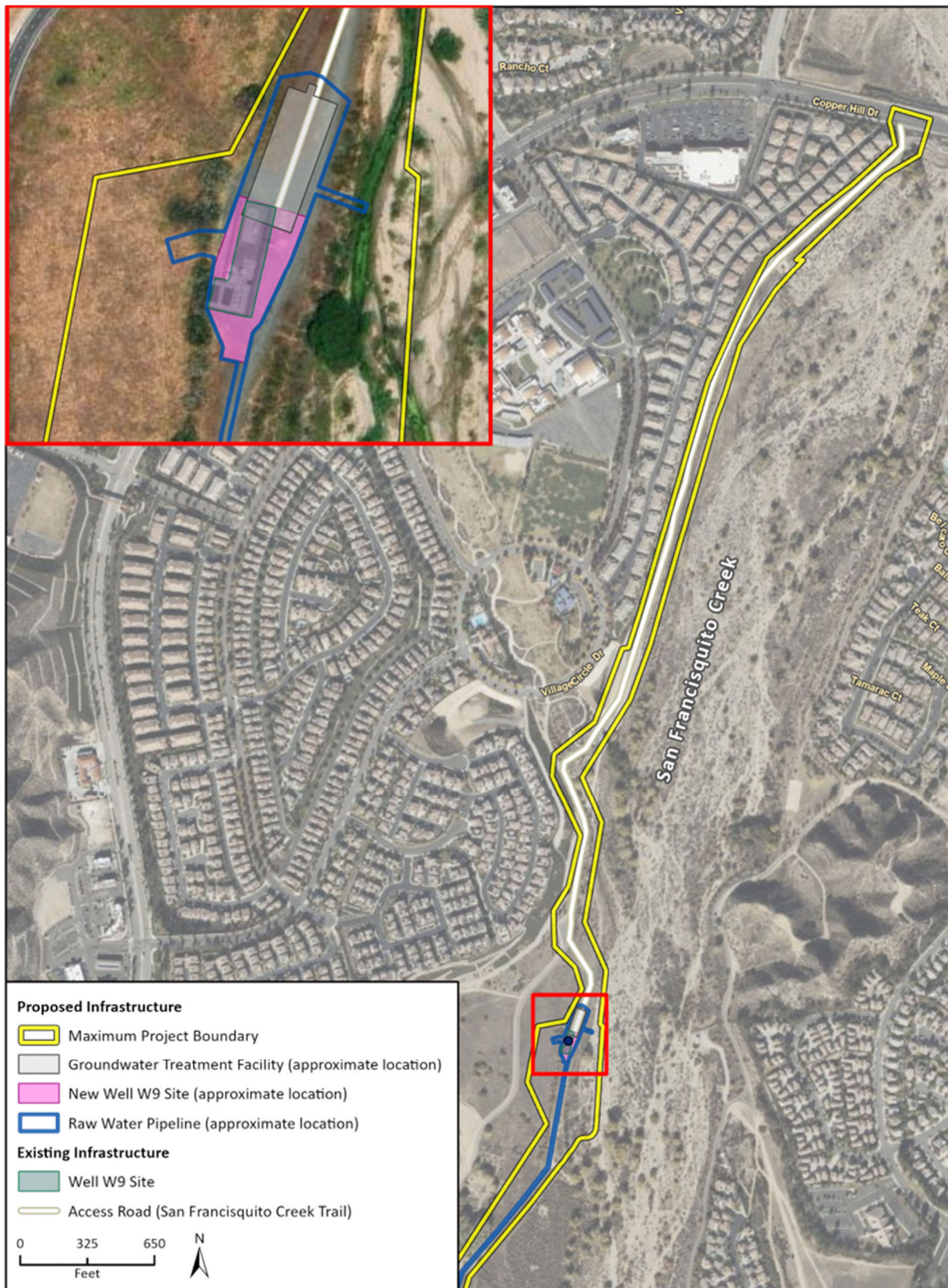
- Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Website
(<https://yourscvwater.com/departments/engineering/environmental-review>)
- Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Office (27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350)

Written comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2025. Please address comments to:

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Figure 1 Project Site Location – Northern Extent



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Fig 2 Project Location - Top



Figure 2 Project Site Location – Southern Extent



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