



## Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

Jim Minnick  
DIRECTOR

# NOTICE OF INTENT

**NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN** for the preparation of a  Negative Declaration  Mitigated Negative Declaration for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) #25-0009, Initial Study (IS) #25-0023, Winterhaven County Water District, pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as amended*.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

**APPLICANT:** Winterhaven County Water District

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 495 Third Avenue, Winterhaven, CA 92283

The project site  is  is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant Winterhaven County Water District (WCWD) has submitted a Conditional Use Permit application (CUP25-0009) for the replacement of Water Well No. 2, along with associated improvements to the water treatment plant. WCWD provides potable water to the small rural community of Winterhaven, California, serving approximately 107 residential connections, 22 commercial connections, and a 495-space RV park. The new well will be constructed approximately 50 feet from the existing well, which is planned for abandonment. The replacement well (Well No. 2) will be drilled to a depth of approximately 500 feet, using a 10-inch casing, and is expected to have a production capacity of 400 gallons per minute (GPM), equivalent to approximately 645.20 acre-feet per year.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** An Imperial County Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted at a date to be determined, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Administration Center (Board Room) located at 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA, 92243 to consider the adoption of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, in conjunction with the proposed project.

**COMMENT PERIOD:** 10/28/25 to 12/02/25 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail, fax or email at [ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us](mailto:ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us). Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

Jim Minnick, Director  
Planning & Development Services

**Cover Sheet  
Assessment Form  
(County of Imperial)**

Initial Study # 25-0023 Date: 10/28/2025

Project type/name: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) #25-0009 "Winterhaven County Water District

Applicant's name: Rick Miller

Applicant's address: 495 Third Avenue, Winterhaven, CA 92283

Name of person preparing Initial Study: Rocio Yee, Planner II

Signature of person preparing Initial Study: 

**I. Project Information**

- a. Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 056-291-005-000
- b. Street address: 495 Third Avenue, Winterhaven, CA 92283
- c. Cross street: 3<sup>RD</sup> Avenue
- d. Township/Section/Range: LOTS 10 TO 16 & E 2FT OF LOT 9 BLK 13 CENTRAL  
ADD WINTERHAVEN
- e. Project area (acres) : 0.90 AC (39601.65 sq. ft.)

**II. General Plan Consistency**

- a. General Plan Designation. Urban
- b. Is Project in an Urban area? Yes
- c. Name of Urban area. Winterhaven
- d. Is Project within an adopted Specific Plan area? No
- e. Name of Specific Plan area. N/A
- f. Existing zoning. GS (Government Special)

- g. Proposed zoning, if any. N/A
- h. Adjacent zoning. N/A
- i. Is proposal consistent with the site's existing or proposed zoning? Yes
- j. Is proposal compatible with existing or surrounding zoning or can it be made compatible? Yes
- k. Is the proposal consistent with a Specific Plan for the area? N/A
- l. Is the proposal compatible with existing plans and planned surrounding land uses or can it be made compatible? Yes
- m. Is the proposal consistent with the land use designation and policies of the 1993 General Plan? Yes

**Comments:** (if any)

None.

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