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SCH #

Project Title: SK Vanderstelt Recharge Basin Project

Lead Agency: St. Johns Water District | Contact Person: James Silva

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 366 | Phone: 559-747-1177

City: Farmersville | Zip: 93223 | County: Tulare

Project Location: County: Tulare | City/Nearest Community: City of Visalia

Cross Streets: Mooney Blvd and Pratt Road | Zip Code: 93291

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 36 ° 22 ′ 16 ″ N / 119 ° 18 ′ 31 ″ W Total Acres: 35

Assessor's Parcel No.: 078-070-011, 078-020-033 | Section: 7 | Twp.: 18S | Range: 25E | Base: MDB&M

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 63 | Waterways: St. Johns River, Modoc Ditch

Airports: None | Railways: None | Schools: See Attached List

Document Type:

CEQA: ☐ NOP ☐ Early Cons ☐ Neg Dec ☒ Mit Neg Dec ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Other:

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Site Plan
☐ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☐ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: Recharge Basins, Diversion Weir, Inlet and Discharge Structures

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units ____ Acres ____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Educational:
☐ Recreational:
☒ Water Facilities: Type ____ MGD ____
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☐ Power: Type ____ MW
☐ Waste Treatment: Type ____ MGD
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☒ Other: Recharge Basins, Diversion Weir, Inlet and Discharge Structures

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☐ Aesthetic/Visual
☐ Agricultural Land
☐ Air Quality
☐ Archeological/Historical
☒ Biological Resources
☐ Coastal Zone
☐ Drainage/Absorption
☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal
☐ Flood Plain/Flooding
☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard
☐ Geologic/Seismic
☐ Minerals
☐ Noise
☐ Population/Housing Balance
☐ Public Services/Facilities
☐ Recreation/Parks
☐ Schools/Universities
☐ Septic Systems
☐ Sewer Capacity
☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading
☐ Solid Waste
☐ Toxic/Hazardous
☐ Traffic/Circulation
☐ Vegetation
☐ Water Quality
☐ Water Supply/Groundwater
☐ Wetland/Riparian
☐ Growth Inducement
☐ Land Use
☐ Cumulative Effects
☐ Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Native Vegetation (NV)/Waterway/Exclusive Agricultural Zone - 40 acre minimum (AE-40)/Valley Agricultural

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The Proposed Project consists of the construction of new recharge basins, a new concrete diversion weir and turnout structure in the St. Johns River to facilitate groundwater recharge in areas adjacent to the main channel. The Proposed Project also includes a discharge structure downstream that will enable the District to return unused surface water to the main channel for downstream purposes. Construction will include the clearing ans site preparation, including excavation for the diversion weir, turnout and discharge structures, earthwork, backfill, compaction and surface restoration efforts to complete the recharge basins and new structures.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

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____	Air Resources Board	x	Office of Historic Preservation
____	Boating & Waterways, Department of	____	Office of Public School Construction
____	California Emergency Management Agency	____	Parks & Recreation, Department of
____	California Highway Patrol	____	Pesticide Regulation, Department of
____	Caltrans District # ____	____	Public Utilities Commission
____	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	x	Regional WQCB # 5 - Fresno Bi
____	Caltrans Planning	____	Resources Agency
x	Central Valley Flood Protection Board	____	Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
____	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	____	S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
____	Coastal Commission	____	San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
____	Colorado River Board	____	San Joaquin River Conservancy
____	Conservation, Department of	____	Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
____	Corrections, Department of	____	State Lands Commission
____	Delta Protection Commission	____	SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
____	Education, Department of	____	SWRCB: Water Quality
____	Energy Commission	____	SWRCB: Water Rights
x	Fish & Game Region # 4 (Central)	____	Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
____	Food & Agriculture, Department of	____	Toxic Substances Control, Department of
____	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	x	Water Resources, Department of
____	General Services, Department of		
____	Health Services, Department of	x	Other: Tulare Co. Resources Management Agency
____	Housing & Community Development	____	Other: ____
x	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date January 20, 2026 Ending Date February 18, 2026

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Dennis R. Keller **Date:** 01/22/2026

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

SCHOOLS WITHIN 2 MILES OF PROJECT
NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND ENVIRONMENTAL TRANSMITTAL FORM
SK VANDERSTELT RECHARGE BASIN PROJECT
ST. JOHNS WATER DISTRICT

Shannon Ranch Elementary

Riverway Elementary

Crowley Elementary

Oak Grove Elementary

Manuel F. Hernandez Elementary

Ridgeview Middle School

Houston Elementary (2.2 miles)

Green Acres Middle School (2.2 miles)