

MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
WELL NO. 5A AUXILIARY POWER AND PUMPS PROJECT
OROSI PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed Well No. 5A Auxiliary Power and Pumps Project (Project) consists of constructing an emergency standby diesel generator and three (3) new booster pumps.

The proposed Project improvements are to be constructed on District-owned land. Easements and permits are required to be obtained to accommodate construction, operation and maintenance of the Project improvements.

A Biological Evaluation of the Project area was completed on November 24, 2025, that established the need for mitigation measures to minimize construction related impacts to the biological resources of the area.

NESTING BIRDS AND THEIR NESTS

Nesting birds, their eggs and their nests could potentially inhabit fields and adjacent lands and could potentially be negatively impacted by construction of the Project unless preventive measures are incorporated into the Project design. No nesting birds or nests were observed on the Project site during the conducted reconnaissance survey, however, the survey was conducted outside of the avian nesting period of February 1 through August 31.

To protect and preserve nesting birds and their nests, to avoid any impacts to them and their nests and to meet California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) requirements, the following impact avoidance preventive measures are incorporated into the Project:

- NB #1. Construction Timing. If feasible, the Project will be constructed outside of the avian nesting season, typically defined as February 1 to August 31.
- NB #2. Preconstruction Surveys. If Project construction occurs between the period of February 1 and August 31, preconstruction (one-day) surveys shall be conducted by a qualified biologist for nesting birds on the Project site within 10 days prior to any construction activity. The survey area will encompass the work area and surrounding lands with 500 feet for raptors, 250 feet for other nesting birds. Results of any such preconstruction survey shall be prepared and transmitted to the District prior to initiation of any construction activities; and

NB #3. Avoidance of Active Nests. If any active nests are observed within or near a construction site, a biologist will establish a suitable construction free buffer around the nest. A buffer will be established on the ground with flagging or fencing. The buffer distance will be determined based on species biology site-specific conditions, and the level of project-related disturbance that is anticipated near the nest(s) in question. The buffer will be maintained until the biologist determines that the young birds have fledged and are capable of foraging independently.