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SCH # 2026040820

Project Title: Seeley County Water District Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

Lead Agency: Seeley County Water District

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City: Seeley

Zip: 92273

County: Imperial

Project Location: County: Imperial

City/Nearest Community: Seeley

Cross Streets: Main Street and New River Blvd

Zip Code: 92273

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 32 ° 47 ' 39.5 " N / 115 ° 41 ' 59.9 " W Total Acres: 15

Assessor's Parcel No.: 051-430-007; 051-430-008; 051-430-009; 051-430-010

Section: 11

Twp.: T16S

Range: R12E

Base: SBM

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-8

Waterways: New River

Airports: N/A

Railways: N/A

Schools: Seeley Elementary School

Document Type:CEQA: ☐ NOP☐ Draft EIRNEPA: ☐ NOIOther: ☒ Joint Document☐ Early Cons☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR☐ EA☐ Final Document☐ Neg Dec

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Other: _____

☐ FONSI**Local Action Type:**☐ General Plan Update☐ Specific Plan☐ Rezone☐ Annexation☐ General Plan Amendment☐ Master Plan☐ Prezone☐ Redevelopment☐ General Plan Element☐ Planned Unit Development☐ Use Permit☐ Coastal Permit☐ Community Plan☒ Site Plan☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)☐ Other: _____**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 Wastewater Treatment MGD .25☐ Transportation: Type _____☐ Mining: Mineral _____☐ Power: Type _____ MW _____☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____☐ Other: _____**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**☐ Aesthetic/Visual☐ Fiscal☐ Recreation/Parks☐ Vegetation☐ Agricultural Land☐ Flood Plain/Flooding☐ Schools/Universities☐ Water Quality☐ Air Quality☐ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☐ Septic Systems☐ Water Supply/Groundwater☒ Archeological/Historical☒ Geologic/Seismic☐ Sewer Capacity☐ Wetland/Riparian☒ Biological Resources☐ Minerals☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☐ Growth Inducement☐ Coastal Zone☐ Noise☐ Solid Waste☐ Land Use☐ Drainage/Absorption☐ Population/Housing Balance☐ Toxic/Hazardous☐ Cumulative Effects☐ Economic/Jobs☐ Public Services/Facilities☐ Traffic/Circulation☒ Other: Tribal**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

The project site has a zoning designation of GS S-2 (Government/Special Public Use)

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

The Seeley County Water District owns and operates the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The District serves the community of Seeley, California, providing water and wastewater services within a 2.26-square-mile service area. Collected wastewater is treated at the District's WWTP. The existing WWTP consists of a seepage receiving facility, an influent lift station with coarse screen, primary treatment consisting of an aerated pond treatment system that includes pre-aeration and aeration ponds, effluent pumping, secondary treatment that consists of pressure sand filters, and an ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system. The existing WWTP is designed for a treatment capacity of 0.25 million gallons per day (MGD) with current average annual daily flows of 0.11 MGD.

The existing WWTP is in good condition but is incapable of handling the more concentrated wastewater stream that has been created over the years from conservation measures that lower water consumption throughout the service area. This has led to failure to comply with effluent requirements and notices of noncompliance including an Administrative Civil Liability Complaint with Mandatory Minimum Penalties (MMPs) for effluent violations and a Time Schedule Order. The goal of the project is to improve treatment performance to conform to resolve recent effluent violations and allow the WWTP to adjust operations to accommodate future changes in effluent limits.

The proposed upgrades of the WWTP will result in a treated flow capacity of 0.15 MGD, lower than the facility's current design capacity and permitted effluent flow limit but still capable of accommodating increases in flow associated with future growth in the service area. Project upgrades primarily consist of upgrading the WWTP's secondary treatment system from a pressure sand filter system to a membrane bioreactor (MBR) system as well as several on-site improvements.

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☐ California Highway Patrol	☐ Pesticide Regulation, Department of
☐ Caltrans District # _____	☐ Public Utilities Commission
☐ Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	☒ Regional WQCB # <u>7</u>
☐ Caltrans Planning	☐ Resources Agency
☐ 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
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☐ Energy Commission	☐ SWRCB: Water Rights
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date July 1, 2026

Ending Date August 3, 2026

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