

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: CVWD/DWA Interconnection No. 2

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Project Location: Cathedral City, Riverside County

City

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

DWA/CVWD Interconnection No. 2 (the Project) consists generally of constructing and operating a potable water pipeline between an existing Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) pipeline and an existing Desert Water Agency (DWA) pipeline to facilitate the transfer of water from CVWD's potable water system to DWA's potable water system at a capacity of up to 2,500 gallons per minute. The Project includes approximately 1,450 linear feet of thermoplastic pipe installed beneath the Whitewater River Channel at a location occupied by the Cimarron Golf Resort, connection of the pipe to an existing CVWD 12-inch waterline at an existing CVWD well site, connection of the pipeline to an existing DWA 12-inch waterline located within an easement held by DWA, and installation of associated valves, piping, and appurtenances. Project facilities will be operated as needed to transfer water from CVWD's potable water system to DWA's potable water system, as coordinated and agreed by both DWA and CVWD. The Project is located primarily belowground within the Cimarron Golf Resort, which is within the Whitewater River Channel, north of Ramon Road and between Landau Boulevard to the east and Sarah Street to the west. The Project also extends to an existing CVWD well site located easterly of the Cimarron Golf Resort and within an existing easement held by DWA located westerly of the Cimarron Golf Resort and easterly of Sarah Street, all within the City of Cathedral City, Riverside County, California.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The following is a brief summary. Proposed mitigation measures are set forth in additional detail in the project's Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program included in Appendix A of the project Initial Study.

Air Quality: Fugitive dust generated during construction will be avoided or reduced by application of dust palliatives.

Biological Resources: Avoidance measures are being taken to the extent practical. Where there is potential for impacts to sensitive species, focused surveys are being conducted to determine presence or absence of such species. If present, avoidance and mitigation measures will be developed as appropriate.

Cultural Resources: In the event that any cultural resource is uncovered during construction, then construction will be temporarily halted while a qualified archaeologist assesses the find.

Paleontological Resources: In the event that an apparent paleontological resource is uncovered during construction, then construction will be temporarily halted while a qualified paleontologist assesses the find.

Tribal Cultural Resources: A tribal monitor approved by the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians will be allowed onsite during ground-disturbing activities, and DWA will coordinate in good faith with the tribe to determine the disposition of any artifacts uncovered during construction.

Noise: Construction contracts will require noise reduction and mitigation measures such as mufflers and compliance with local ordinances.

Traffic: Construction contracts will require implementation of safe and effective traffic control measures and compliance with all local traffic regulations.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no known areas of controversy related to the Project.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Coachella Valley Water District is a responsible agency for the project.