

Eastern Municipal Water District

2270 Trumble Road

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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration Menifee and Watson Road II Booster Pump Station and Pipeline Project

Eastern Municipal Water District (District) proposes to implement the Menifee and Watson Road II Booster Pump Station (BPS) and Pipeline Project (Project) to construct two new BPSs, “Watson Road II BPS” and “Menifee BPS,” within a new approximately 12,600-square-foot building on an existing vacant site; decommission/remove the existing Romoland BPS; and construct approximately 1.85 miles of transmission pipeline within Antelope Road and Watson Road. Once constructed, the new BPS facility would be fitted with a new 36-inch-diameter pipeline to connect it back to the existing Perris Valley North/South Pressure Zone located near the intersection of Antelope Road and Ethanac Road. The new 36-inch pipeline would serve both BPSs. A new 30-inch-diameter transmission main would be constructed within Watson Road to connect the new Watson Road II BPS to the existing Watson BPS located approximately one-third of a mile east of the Watson Road and Menifee Road intersection. In addition, a new, approximately 300-foot-long, 36-inch steel pipeline would be constructed to connect the new BPSs to the Romoland Feeder via the Romoland Feeder pipeline adjacent to the Antelope Road/Watson Road intersection.

The Project site is located within the city of Menifee, Riverside County. The proposed new BPS site is located on approximately 1.96 acres west of Antelope Road, on the north side of Watson Road (Assessor’s Parcel Numbers [APNs] 329-050-049 and 329-050-048). The existing Romoland BPS, which would be decommissioned, is located on a 0.17-acre parcel at the intersection of Ethanac Road and Antelope Road (APN 329-141-005).

The Proposed Project is not on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

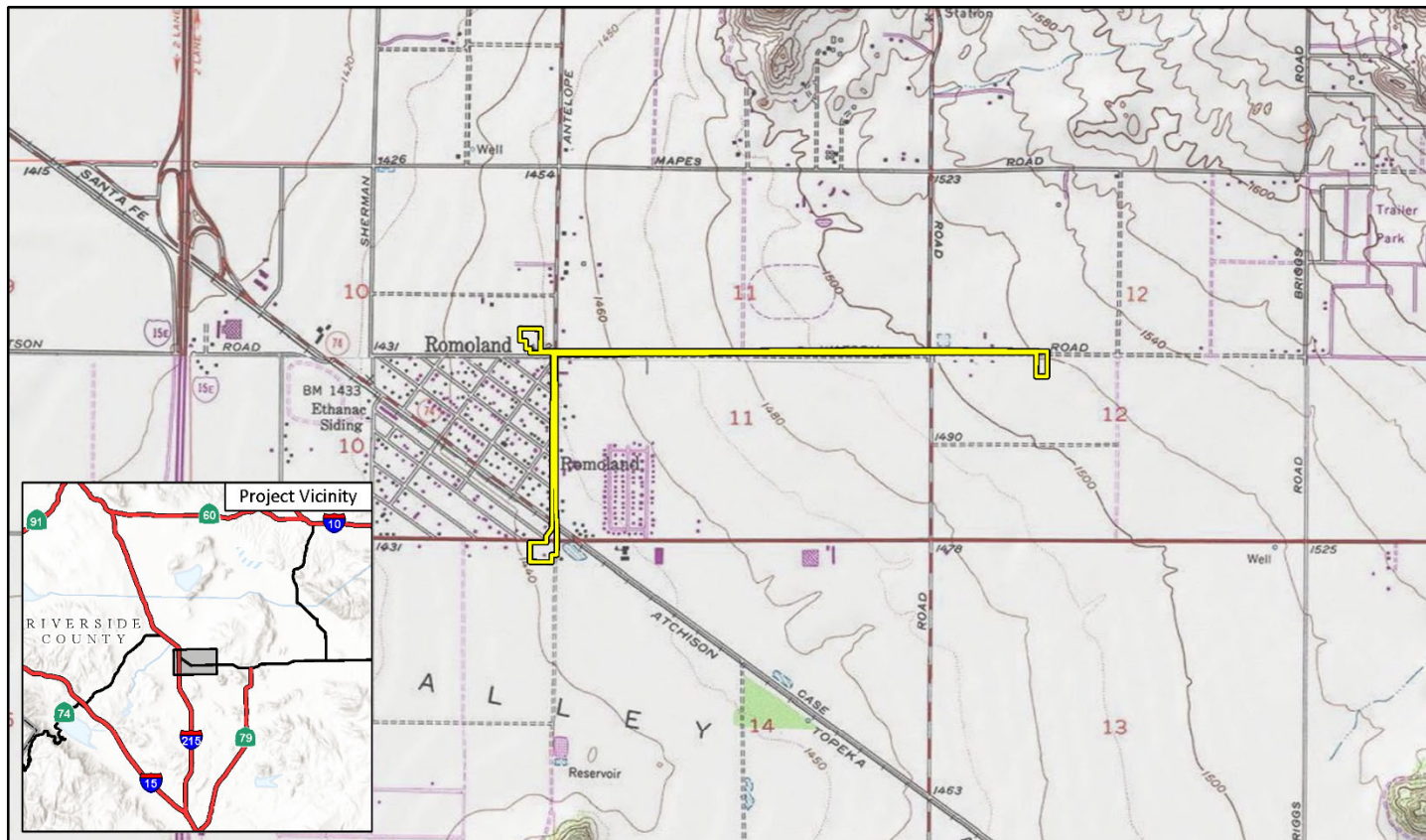
In accordance with Section 15072(a) of the CEQA Guidelines, this Public Notice officially notifies the general public, public agencies, and landowners that a 30-day public review period will begin on May 29, 2026. Comments on the Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) should focus on environmental issues and must be received by June 29, 2026. Please submit email comments to vilchism@emwd.org and written comments by mail the following location:

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Email or written comments received by June 29, 2026, will be considered before the MND is approved for adoption by the District’s Board of Directors. A public meeting of the District’s Board of Directors to take action on the MND will be held following public notification of the hearing on the District’s website. Regularly scheduled Board meetings take place at the District’s headquarters on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the District’s headquarters:

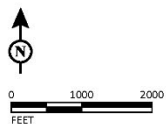
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Copies of the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at the District's headquarters, online at <https://www.emwd.org/public-notice>, and at the Sun City Library located at 26982 Cherry Hills Blvd, Menifee, CA 92586-2576.



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Project Site



*Menifee and Watson Road II Booster Pump Station and Matthews Transmission Pipeline Project
Project Location*

SOURCE: USGS 7.5' Quad - Perris (1979) and Romoland (1979), CA
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