

PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project: Reclamation District No. 1600 DMP Drainage Pipe Replacement Project

Lead Agency: Reclamation District No. 1600

Project Location: The proposed Project would be located Southeast of the town of Knights Landing, along the Tule Canal in Yolo County, California at Levee Mile 0.36, District Station 19+20, approximately 2.36 miles south of the Fremont Weir and 3.87 miles north of County Road 22.

Project Description: Reclamation District No. 1600 (RD 1600) proposes the Deferred Maintenance Program (DMP) Drainage Pipe Replacement Project (Proposed Project). The Proposed Project involves replacing a single 48-inch gravity drainage pipe that passes through the levee and conveys water from agricultural lands east of Woodland, California, to the Tule Canal within the Yolo Bypass. The replacement will be completed in kind, maintaining the existing pipe size, function, and alignment.

Findings: An Initial Study has been prepared to assess the potential effects of the Project on the environment and the significance of those effects. Based on the Initial Study, Reclamation District No. 1600 has determined that the Project, including conservation measures that are part of the Project design, would not have significant effects on the environment. This conclusion is supported by the following findings:

- The Project would have no impacts on the following: aesthetics, agriculture and forestry resources, land use and planning, mineral Resources, population and housing, public services, or recreation
- The Project would result in less than significant impacts on the following: Energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, noise, transportation, utilities and service systems, and wildfire.
- Mitigation would be included to reduce potentially significant impacts to less than significant levels for: Air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hydrology and water quality, and tribal cultural resources.

Mandatory Findings of Significance:

- The Project would not substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory.
- The Project would not have environmental effects that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable.
- The Project would not have environmental effects which would cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.
- The Project would not achieve short-term environmental goals to the disadvantage of long-term environmental goals.

- No substantial evidence exists that the Project would have a negative or adverse effect on the environment.

Proposed Mitigation Measures: Mitigation measures included in the Project to avoid or minimize potential environmental impacts are included in the attached Initial Study, which is hereby incorporated and fully made part of this Mitigated Negative Declaration. Implementation of these mitigation measures would ensure that the potential environmental impacts of the Project are less than significant. Reclamation District No. 1600 has agreed to implement each of the identified mitigation measures, which would be adopted as part of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.

Determination: In accordance with Section 21082.1 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Reclamation District No. 1600 has independently reviewed and analyzed the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project and finds that the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of Reclamation District No. 1600. The lead agency further finds that the Project mitigation measures would be implemented as stated in the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration. This Mitigated Negative Declaration is filed in accordance with CEQA and the State CEQA guidelines.

I hereby approve this Project:



Signer ID: PSDQMDF516...

President

Reclamation District No. 1600

06/17/2026 PDT

Date