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## **PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Notice is hereby given that a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the below described project in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as set forth in the Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 to 21174, as amended. As a result of the project, the following significant, but mitigatable, effects on the environment are anticipated in the areas of: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, and Tribal Cultural Resources.

1. Environmental Document No: SP2025-0010
2. Applicant: City of Santa Maria, Utilities Department
3. Project Description:
  - A. Project Title: Santa Maria Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project
  - B. Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 113-120-034, 117-191-010, 117-191-013, and 117-820-002
  - C. Location: West edge of the City of Santa Maria at 601 Black Road, Santa Maria, California, 93458
  - D. Proposed Development: The City of Santa Maria Utilities Department proposes to expand and update its existing WWTP to accommodate anticipated growth, provide long-term reliable treatment, and adhere to applicable regulatory requirements, including the updated effluent discharge limits. The project would modify the existing WWTP currently owned and operated by the City at 601 Black Road, and expand onto adjacent land to the east and southeast.

The proposed project is not on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and all documents referenced in the document may be reviewed at the Community Development Department, 110 S. Pine Street, #101, Santa Maria, CA 93458. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration is also available for review in the Santa Maria Public Library, 421 S. McClelland Street, Santa Maria, or at the City's webpage:

<https://www.cityofsantamaria.org/services/departments/community-development/planning-division/planning-policies-and-regulations/environmental-impact-reports>

Written comments on the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will be accepted during the period from July 21, 2026, to August 19, 2026. Please submit comments on or before 5:00 p.m. on August 19, 2026, the close of the public comment period.