



CITY OF FAIRFIELD

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT Engineering Division

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Fairfield (City), as Lead Agency, has prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the North Bay Regional Water Treatment Plant (NBRWTP) Fairfield-Vacaville Water Works Project (Project) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), including Public Resources Code Section 21092 and State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15072 and 15073. Based on the Initial Study, the City has determined that, with implementation of the identified mitigation measures, the Project would not have a significant effect on the environment.

PROJECT: North Bay Regional Water Treatment Plant Fairfield-Vacaville Water Works Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located in central Solano County, within the cities of Fairfield and Vacaville. The existing NBRWTP is located within the City of Fairfield, approximately 6 miles northeast of downtown Fairfield and 3.8 miles south of downtown Vacaville, near the southeast base of the Vaca Mountains. The Project includes improvements within the existing NBRWTP site and a treated water transmission pipeline extending north from the NBRWTP toward the City of Vacaville distribution system. Two pipeline alignments are under consideration: the Linear Trail Pipeline Alignment, generally following the existing trail and Putah South Canal corridor, and the Peabody Road Pipeline Alignment, generally following the Peabody Road corridor.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project would expand and modernize the existing NBRWTP, jointly operated by the Cities of Fairfield and Vacaville, to increase treatment capacity from approximately 52.7 million gallons per day (mgd) to a maximum of 65 mgd. The expansion may be implemented in phases and would include new and upgraded water treatment facilities, pumping and chemical storage systems, electrical and control systems, operations facilities, and energy resiliency improvements, including battery energy storage and emergency backup generation. The Project also includes construction of a new treated-water transmission pipeline connecting the NBRWTP to the City of Vacaville's existing water distribution system. Two pipeline alignments are under consideration: the Linear Trail Pipeline Alignment and the Peabody Road Pipeline Alignment. The Project is intended to improve treatment capacity, operational reliability and resiliency, and water delivery to meet existing and planned water demands within the City's adopted service areas.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The Initial Study identifies potentially significant environmental effects that would be reduced to less-than-significant levels through implementation of mitigation

measures. Mitigation measures are identified for Biological, Cultural, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise and Vibration, Tribal Cultural Resources, and Wildfire.

With implementation of the mitigation measures identified in the Draft IS/MND and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, the City has determined that the Project would not have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Draft IS/MND will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from August 24, 2026 through September 23, 2026. Written comments must be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 23, 2026.

The Draft IS/MND and supporting technical appendices are available for review online at:

City of Fairfield CEQA Documents:

<https://www.fairfield.ca.gov/government/city-departments/community-development/planning-division/c-e-q-a>

A hard copy of the Draft IS/MND is also available for review during normal business hours at:

City of Fairfield Public Works Department
1000 Webster Street
Fairfield, California 94533

SUBMITTING COMMENTS: Written comments regarding the Draft IS/MND should be submitted to:

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Please include "North Bay Regional Water Treatment Plant Fairfield-Vacaville Water Works Project IS/MND" in the subject line of emailed comments.

PUBLIC MEETING/HEARING: The City of Fairfield is currently scheduled to consider the Project and the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration on October 13, 2026. Meeting information is subject to change. Please consult the City's meeting agenda prior to the meeting for current information.

DATE OF NOTICE: August 24, 2026