

## Notice of Determination

## Appendix D

## To:

☒ Office of Planning and Research  
 U.S. Mail: Street Address:  
 P.O. Box 3044 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113  
 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ County Clerk  
 County of: Santa Cruz  
 Address: 701 Ocean Street  
 Santa Cruz, California 95060

## From:

Public Agency: City of Santa Cruz, Water Dept.  
 Address: 212 Locust Street  
 Santa Cruz, California 95060  
 Contact: Sarah Easley Perez  
 Phone: 831-420-5327

Lead Agency (if different from above):

Address:

Contact:

Phone:

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CLERK OF THE BOARD

SEP 11 2024

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.**

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2022060566

Project Title: Climate Resilient Santa Cruz: Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant Facility Improvements Project

Project Applicant: N/A

Project Location (include county): Santa Cruz County. See attached map.

## Project Description:

The Proposed Project would replace and substantially upgrade the majority of the existing water treatment processes at the Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant (GHWTP) and associated infrastructure with modern facilities. The Proposed Project would improve the GHWTP to: meet current seismic, building, electrical, and fire code requirements; support the treatment of wet season water to facilitate implementation of the City's Water Supply Augmentation Strategy and Securing Our Water Future Policy; increase the City's treatment reliability to meet current and anticipated future water quality requirements; and improve the ability to treat variable and degraded source water quality conditions, such as those associated with post-wildfire, severe storms, and droughts. Characteristics and elements of the Proposed Project include the following: reliable water treatment plant capacity, new and upgraded water treatment and related processes, new and upgraded buildings, infrastructure and site improvements, project operations and maintenance. Project construction is anticipated to commence in phases over a four-year period (from 2025 through 2029) while maintaining ongoing operations and continuous production of drinking water at GHWTP.

This is to advise that the City of Santa Cruz has approved the above  
☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on 9/10/2024 and has made the following determinations regarding the above  
 (date)  
 described project.

1. The project ☒ will ☐ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations ☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings ☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

<https://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-departments/water/online-reports/environmental-documents>

Signature (Public Agency): Nicki R. Luckenbach Title: Water Director

Date: 9/10/2024 Date Received for filing at OPP:

THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK  
 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A

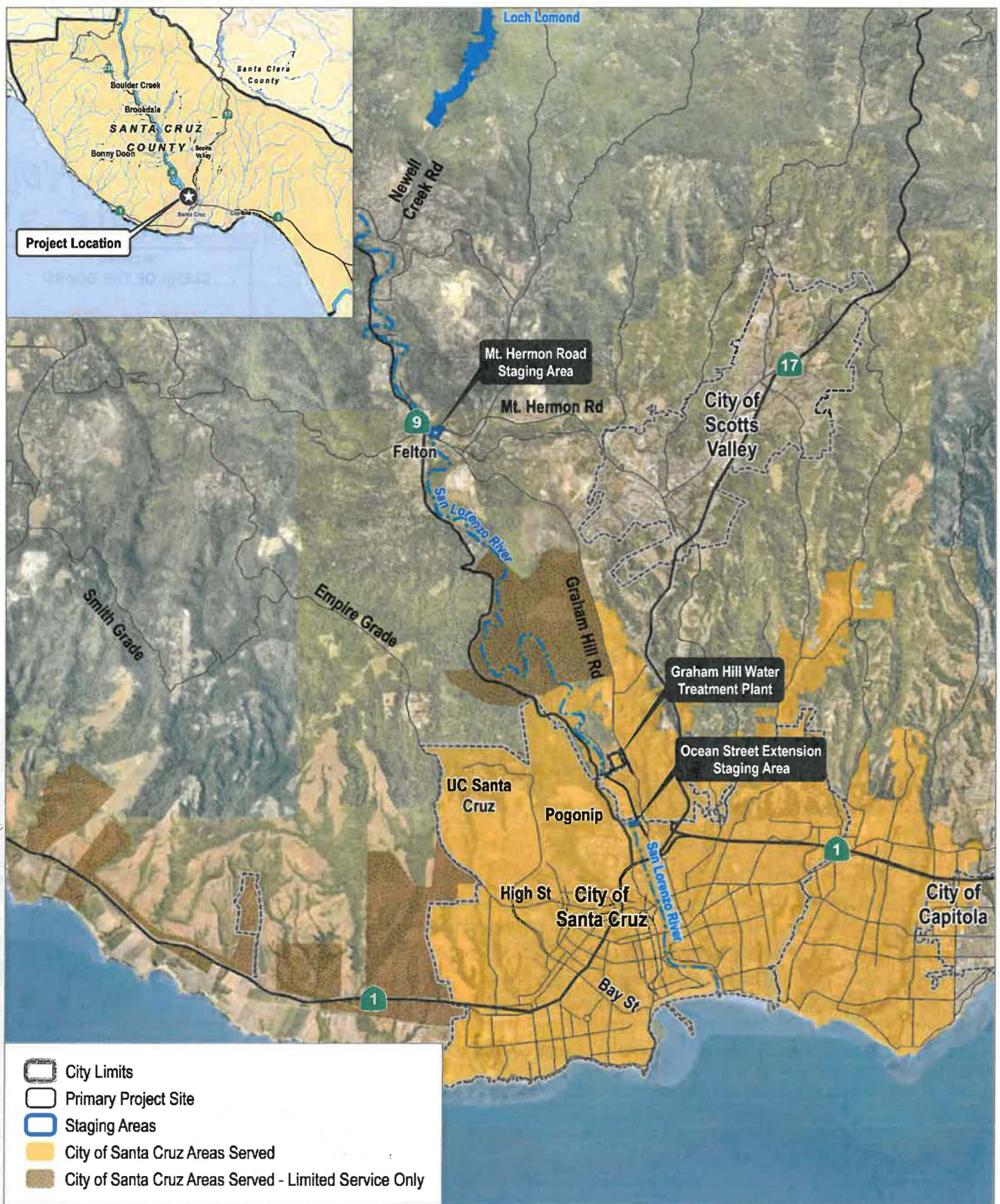
Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code  
 Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

PERIOD COMMENCING 9/11 2024

Revised 2011

AND ENDING 10/16 2024





SOURCE: ESRI 2020, City of Santa Cruz 2020



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

44 — 09/11/2024 — 226

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

2022060566

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

City of Santa Cruz, Water Dept

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

09/11/2024

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

Santa Cruz

DOCUMENT NUMBER

015-24 NOD

PROJECT TITLE

Climate Resilient Santa Cruz: Graham Hill Water Treatment Plant Facility Improvements Project

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

Heidi Luckenbach

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

( )

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

212 Locust Street

CITY

Santa Cruz

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

95060

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency

☐ School District

☐ Other Special District

☐ State Agency

☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$	4,051.25
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	0.00

☐ Exempt from fee

☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	
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PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 4,101.25

SIGNATURE

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AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Helen Bayly, Admin Aide, Clerk of the Board