

WATER DEPARTMENT

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City of Santa Cruz Water Department NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

PROJECT TITLE: Coast Pump Station Raw Water Pipeline Replacement Project

The City of Santa Cruz (City) as the Lead Agency has prepared an Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Coast Pump Station Raw Water Pipeline Replacement Project (Proposed Project) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

PROJECT LOCATION: River Street, Ocean Street Extension, and Crossing Street

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Proposed Project consists of the replacement of a segment of the raw water pipeline connecting to the existing Coast Pump Station underneath the San Lorenzo River. Microtunneling technology will be used to bore under the river and install the new pipeline; open trenching will be used to replace pipeline segment crossing City property on either side of the river. A staging area on Ocean Street will be used to stockpile excavated material prior to disposal. Access to the project will be via existing roads on River Street, Ocean Street, and Crossing Street. The project is expected to occur over 8 to 9 months including three weeks for microtunneling activities. Following construction, all disturbed areas will be restored to preconstruction conditions. Once the new pipeline is in service, the existing segment of raw water pipeline will be decommissioned and capped in place.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Initial Study and Proposed MND found that implementation of the Proposed Project may result in potentially significant environmental impacts to: biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, noise, and tribal cultural resources each of which could be reduced to less than significant with mitigation measures identified in the MND.

REVIEW AND COMMENT: The 30-day public review period for the Proposed MND is **August 5**, **2019 through September 4**, **2019.** Comments on the Proposed MND must be received in writing by email or mail to the contact listed below by 5:00 PM on September 4, 2019. **Please include a return address and contact name.**

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During the public review period the Proposed MND will be available for review on the City's website at: www.cityofsantacruz.com/waterenvdocs and at the following locations:

- City of Santa Cruz Water Department, 212 Locust Street, Suite C in Santa Cruz
- Central Public Library, 224 Church Street in Santa Cruz