



California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
P.O. Box 54153
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153

Subject:

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

Project Title: High Desert Water Bank

State Clearinghouse Number	Responsible Agency Contact Person	Lead Agency Contact Person
2017061030 Governor's Office of Planning & Research APR 15 2019 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Sean Carlson 700 N Alameda St Los Angeles, Ca 90012 213-217-6276	Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency Dwayne Chisam, General Manager 6500 West Avenue N Palmdale, CA 93551 661-943-3201

Project Location (include county): Adjacent to the California Aqueduct between 300th Street West and 280th Street West within the County of Los Angeles (see map)

Project Description: AVEK (lead agency) approved the development and operation of a groundwater bank on approximately 1,500 acres at the western edges of the Antelope Valley. The project would store State Water Project (SWP) water during wet weather years when supplies exceed demands, and would recover the water during dry weather years when demands exceed supplies or at other times when there are disruptions to SWP supplies. Implementation of this project will require the construction of monitoring and production water wells, turnouts off of the California Aqueduct, underground and above ground pipelines, recharge basins, and water storage and booster pump facilities.

Metropolitan (responsible agency) would pay AVEK for the capital costs for construction of monitoring and production wells, turnouts from the California Aqueduct, underground and aboveground pipelines, recharge basins, water storage, and booster pump facilities.

This is to advise that on April 9, 2019, the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, acting as a Responsible Agency under CEQA, has reviewed and considered the Lead Agency's Final Mitigated Negative Declaration for the High Desert Water Bank Project and has adopted the Lead Agency's following determinations regarding the project as described above:

1. The project [☐will ☒will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared and adopted 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 Monitoring Report 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.

The Final Mitigated Negative Declaration for the AVEK High Water Bank with record of project approval, is on file at: AVEK (lead agency) office located at 6500 West Avenue Palmdale, CA 93551; and at Metropolitan (responsible agency) office located at 700 N Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012

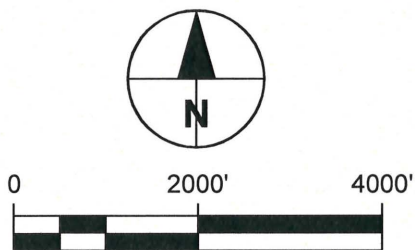
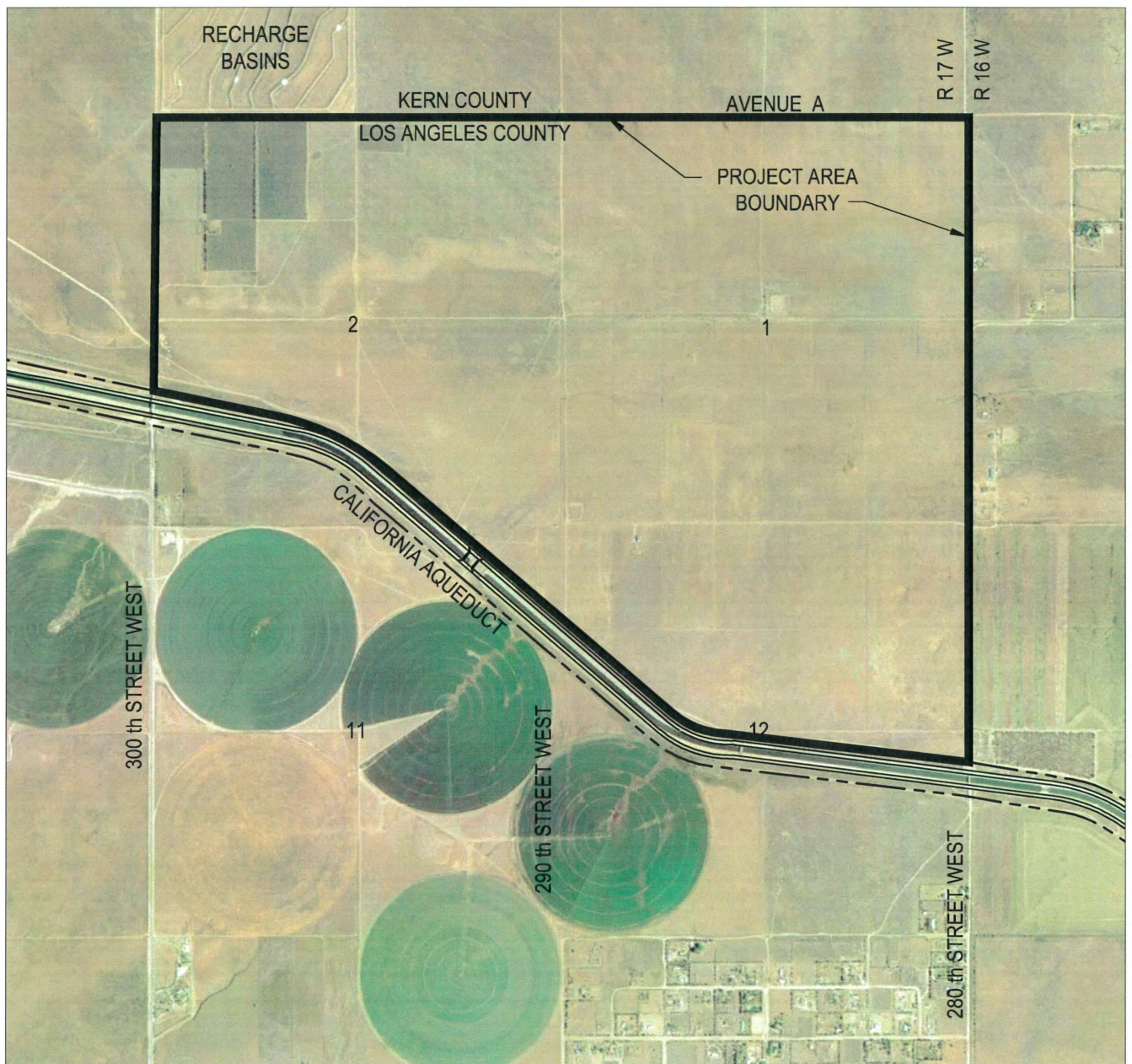

Signature Sean Carlson

Team Manager, Environmental Planning Section

Title

April 10, 2019

Date



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ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY
 HIGH DESERT WATER BANK
 AERIAL VICINITY MAP
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FIGURE 1B

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: Los Angeles

Address: 12400 Imperial Hwy or PO BOX 1208

Norwalk, CA 90650-1208

From:

Public Agency: Antelope Valley - East Kern Water

Address: 6500 West Avenue N

Palmdale CA 93551

Contact: Dwayne Chisam, General Manager

Phone: 661 943 3201

Lead Agency (if different from above):

Address:

Contact:

Phone:

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DEAN C. LOGAN
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK
L. MCCOY
DEPUTY**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): 2017061030

Project Title: High Desert Water Bank

Project Applicant: Antelope Valley - East Kern Water Agency

Project Location (include county): Los Angeles County

Project Description:

The Agency proposes the development and operation of a groundwater bank on approximately 1,500 acres in the western edges of the Antelope Valley. The project would store State Water Project water supplies during wet weather year periods when supplies exceed demands and would recover the water during dry weather years when demands exceed supplies and other times when there are disruptions to State Water Project Supplies. Implementation of this project will require the construction of monitoring and production water wells, turnouts off of the California Aqueduct, underground and above ground pipelines, recharge basins, and water storage and booster pump facilities.

This is to advise that the Antelope Valley - East Kern Water Agency has approved the above
(☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on December 19, 2017 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:

Lead Agency's office located at 6500 West Avenue N, Palmdale CA 93551

Signature (Public Agency): DWAYNE CHISAM FOR Title: General Manager

Date: December 19, 2017

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

State of California—Natural Resources Agency
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
2017 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

RECEIPT #
201712260500024
STATE CLEARING HOUSE # (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

LEAD AGENCY			DATE
ANTELOPE VALLEY EAST KERN WATER			12/26/2017
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING			DOCUMENT NUMBER
COUNTY OF L.A.			2017358096
PROJECT TITLE			
HIGH DESERT WATER BANK			
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME			PHONE NUMBER
DWAYNE CHISAM			(661)943-3201
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
6500 W. AVENUE N.	PALMDALE	CA	93551
PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box):			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Public Agency <input type="checkbox"/> School District <input type="checkbox"/> Other Special District <input type="checkbox"/> State Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Private Entity			

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

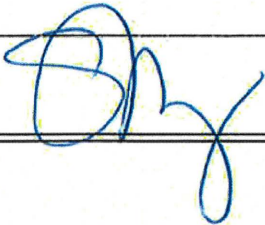
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,078.25	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Negative Declaration (ND)(MND)	\$2,216.25	\$	2,216.25
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Fee Water Diversion (State Water Resources Control Board Only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Projects Subject to Certified Regulatory Programs (CRP)	\$1,046.50	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administrative Fee	\$60.00	\$	75.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Project that is exempt from fees			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (Form Attached)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		\$	0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

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SIGNATURE

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Governor's Office of Planning & Research

APR 15 2019

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Dean C. Logan
Los Angeles County Registrar / Recorder
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA
(800)201-8999

BUSINESS FILINGS REGISTRATION

NORWALK DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTER

Cashier: L. MCCOY



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Tuesday, December 26, 2017 12:31 PM

Item(s)

Fee	Qty	Total
NoD - County Posting Fee 2017358096	1	\$75.00
NoD - Negative Declaratio 2017358096	1	\$2,216.25
Total		\$2,291.25

Total Documents: 1

Customer payment(s):

Check	\$2,355.75
Refund	(\$64.50)

Check List:
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