

TRANQUILLITY IRRIGATION DISTRICT

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR  
THE SOUTHEAST SERVICE AREA WATER CONSERVATION AND  
CONVEYANCE PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tranquillity Irrigation District (District) plans to adopt a mitigated negative declaration for the replacement and reconstruction of Lift #3 and two culverts. The public hearing will be held by the District's Board of Directors on August 21, 2019, at the District Office, 25390 W Silveria, Tranquillity, CA 93668.

The project proposes to increase the diversion capacity at Lift #3 from 50 cfs to 100 cfs. The goal of the proposed project is to double the capacity of these Lift Pump structures by installing new pumps and culverts. The Proposed Project includes demolishing and removing the existing structures and replacing them with structures that are able to handle the increased capacity. This will eliminate the bottleneck in the water distribution system. The proposed project is located approximately 2.5-miles south of the community of Tranquillity and three miles west of the community of San Joaquin in western Fresno County, California . The proposed five-acre work area is centered on the Slough Canal near the intersection of West Parlier Avenue and South Sonoma Avenue.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study has been prepared, describing the degree of possible environmental impacts of the proposed project. The District has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this proposed action and has determined that they will be less than significant. Copies of the Joint Environmental Assessment/Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for public review at the District Office. The public review period during which the District will receive comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will begin on July 3, 2019 and end on August 1, 2019. Tranquillity Irrigation District is holding their Board meeting August 21, 2019. Comments should be in writing, if possible, and addressed to Rod Wade, Assistant General Manager, P.O. Box 487, Tranquillity, CA 93668.

Dated: July 1, 2019