

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of a DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT and NOTICE of a PUBLIC MEETING

for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District 29 Water System Master Plan (SCH No. 2014111057)

Date: March 18, 2016

To: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (LACDPW) prepared a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft PEIR) for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District 29 Water System Master Plan (WSMP). LACDPW is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Project Location: Located in southwestern Los Angeles County, California, District 29 provides water services to approximately 22,000 people in the City of Malibu and the unincorporated Topanga community, an area of approximately 45 square miles along approximately 22 miles of Pacific Coast Highway (PCH). The District boundaries span four United State Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 minute quadrangles, from west to Triunfo Pass, Point Dume, east: Malibu Beach and Topanga.



Project Description: The WSMP describes the water infrastructure needs of District 29 through the year 2035. The WSMP identifies system facilities needed to overcome existing deficiencies and to meet anticipated system requirements through the target planning year. The Draft PEIR provides programmatic-level environmental review for WSMP projects through 2035, and project-level environmental review for construction and operation of the WSMP Phase 1 projects: 6 above ground water reservoirs to be constructed at existing reservoir sites and 26 pipeline segments including an emergency connection pipeline to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District at Encinal Canyon Road (pipelines totaling approximately 16 miles). The pipeline segments will be constructed underground in existing roadways - four in the Topanga area and the balance in Malibu.

Environmental Effects: The Draft PEIR focuses on the environmental effects of the project related to aesthetics, air quality and greenhouse gas emissions, biological resources, cultural resources, earth resources, hazards, land use, noise, population and housing, public services, traffic, and

water resources. Based on the analyses presented in the Draft PEIR, after incorporation of mitigation measures, construction and operation of the WSMP facilities would not result in significant environmental effects for any resource area.

Hazardous Waste Disclosure. Per Section 15087 (c)(6) of the CEQA Guidelines, the location of proposed project sites relative to the lists of sites enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code is described in the Draft PEIR. Sites enumerated under Section 65962.5 are present in District 29. With incorporation of mitigation measures, construction and operation of the WSMP facilities would not result in significant impacts related to hazardous materials sites.

Public Review of the Draft EIR: The 45-day public review period for the Draft PEIR will commence on March 21, 2016 and conclude on May 4, 2016. An electronic version of the Draft PEIR may be viewed online at:

http://dpw.lacounty.gov/wwd/web/SystemImprovements/DistrictNo29.aspx

Copies are also available for review at LACDPW offices (1000 S. Fremont Ave, Building A-9E, 4th Floor, Alhambra, CA 91803) (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Thursday) and the Malibu Library (23519 W. Civic Center Way, Malibu, CA 90265).

Written comments may be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2016, to:

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Public Meeting: A public meeting will be held to discuss the Draft PEIR. Agency representatives and members of the public interested in the District 29 WSMP are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Malibu City Hall - Council Chambers 23825 Stuart Ranch Road Malibu, CA 90265

Individuals who require special accommodation are requested to contact Mr. Juarez at least 7 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. Phone: (626) 300-4693 (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Thursday)