

**ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY
NOTICE OF INTENT TO
ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

To: Los Angeles County and Office of Planning and Research
 Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk State Clearinghouse
 Attn: Business Filing & Registration 1440 Tenth Street
 12400 Imperia Highway, 2nd Floor #2001 Sacramento, CA 95814
 Norwalk, CA 90650

From: Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency
 6500 West Avenue N
 Palmdale, CA 93551

Subject: Filing of Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in compliance with Section 21092.3 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title

WEST AVENUE H WELLFIELD PROJECT

Not Yet Assigned	Mike Flood, Agency Engineer	(661) 943-3201
State Clearinghouse Number	Lead Agency Contact Person	Telephone Number

Project Location

Antelope Acres area of northern Los Angeles County, near the City of Lancaster, between 70th and 80th Street West within APNs 3268-021-012 and 3268-019-900

Project Description

The project consists of the construction of three potable groundwater wells, associated delivery and transmission pipelines, and modifications to existing chlorination facilities. This new potable water infrastructure will connect to the existing Los Angeles County Waterworks District (LACWWD) turnout located at the northeast corner of West Avenue H and 80th Street West. This will allow Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) to provide an additional supply of groundwater to meet water demands during periods of below average allocation of imported water from the State Water Project and as an emergency supply. The transmission piping will connect into the turnout for LACWWD, which is one of AVEK's largest customers. One of the well sites currently contains approximately 20,000 square feet of structures formerly used as houses, barns, and storage facilities. These facilities also may be demolished as part of this project.

Proposed Review Process

A capital improvement project such as the proposed project is a discretionary decision or "project" that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This Mitigated Negative Declaration is the proposed CEQA determination for this project. The Board of the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) acting as the CEQA lead agency for this project will consider adoption of this Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future scheduled public meeting.

**POSTED IN THE LOBBY OF OFFICES OF THE
 ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY
 6500 WEST AVENUE N, QUARTZ HILL, CA**

ON 10-31-14 AT 12:30 pm
 (Date) (Time)



SECRETARY

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration
Page 2 of 2

After public review of the Initial Study is completed, AVEK proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. Any parties that comment on this proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be notified of the meeting date where adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be considered. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study are available for review at AVEK's office located at 6500 West Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for public review and comment from November 3, 2014 to December 2, 2014. Any comments you have must be submitted in writing no later than December 2, 2014.

Michael Reed Assistant GM/Agency Engineer 10/30/14
Signature Title Date

POSTED IN THE LOBBY OF OFFICES OF THE
ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY
6500 WEST AVENUE N, QUARTZ HILL, CA
ON 10-31-14 AT 12:50pm
(Date) (Time)
[Signature]
SECRETARY