

STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE AVAILABILITY OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE WEST MODESTO SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

Stanislaus County (County), in cooperation with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), propose to install sanitary sewer mains and laterals, with private property connections to each residence, in three separate unincorporated neighborhoods within West Modesto in Stanislaus County, California. The three neighborhoods are generally referred to as the Spencer/Marshall, the Beverly/Waverly, and the Rouse/Colorado neighborhoods.

The Spencer/Marshall neighborhood is generally located approximately 0.3 mile west of Highway 99 and is accessible from State Route 132 and Spencer Avenue. The Beverly/Waverly neighborhood is located approximately 0.9 mile west of Highway 99 and is accessible from Paradise Road. The Rouse/Colorado neighborhood is located approximately 0.6 mile west of Highway 99 and is accessible from Tuolumne Boulevard and Roselawn Avenue. The following street intersections and road segment are part of the Project site: the California/Marshall Avenue intersection; the Paradise Road/Pine Tree intersection; and approximately 100' east of the Lombardy Drive/Ritsch Lane intersection.

It is estimated that the Project will include the installation of up to 80,000 linear feet of gravity mains and approximately 1,004 new house laterals in the Spencer/Marshall (144 services), Beverly/Waverly (527 services), and Rouse/Colorado (333 services) neighborhoods. The purpose of the project is to allow property owners to abandon their existing septic tanks and connect to a public sewer system. The new sewer infrastructure will connect into the City of Modesto's existing public sewer system.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ADDENDUM TO THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE WEST MODESTO SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

The County circulated an Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) for the West Modesto Sewer Infrastructure Project (Project) from May 4, 2018 to June 4, 2018 and approved the Negative Declaration on July 17, 2018. Since that time, a modification to the proposed Project has been identified as being necessary to revise the Project description. The modification included evaluating the potential for environmental effects from adding the construction of sewer laterals on private property located within the project sites. This Addendum is provided as a supplement to the environmental analysis provided in the Final IS/ND, pursuant to State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15164.

The County studied the effects this project may have on the environment. The studies within the Initial Study of the adopted Negative Declaration showed it would not significantly affect the

quality of the environment. Circulation of the document occurred May 4, 2018, through June 4, 2018. The Negative Declaration was approved on July 17, 2018.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

The county studied the effects this project may have on the environment. The studies within the Negative Declaration show it would not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The Addendum to Negative Declaration reached the same determination. This notice is to advise you that the preparation of the Addendum has been completed and is available for your review. This Notice is to fulfill California State Water Resources Control Board funding application requirements.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

An Initial Study with approved Negative Declaration for the West Modesto Sewer Infrastructure Project and an Addendum to this Negative Declaration is available at:

- Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development Department, 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400, Modesto, CA 95354; and at
- Stanislaus County Website at <http://www.stancounty.com/planning/cdbg/index.shtm>.

The Addendum for the West Modesto Sewer Infrastructure Project previously adopted Negative Declaration will be formally considered for adoption at a future County Board of Supervisors meeting. A separate public hearing notice will be advertised.

CONTACT

For more information, to review a copy of the Addendum, or to submit comments on the Addendum to the Negative Declaration for the West Sewer Infrastructure Project to the County Planning and Community Development Department, please contact Miguel Galvez, Deputy Director, at the Stanislaus County Planning and Community Development Department at (209) 525-6330 or by email at galvezm@stancounty.com. All comments received from August 2, 2021 through September 1, 2021 will be presented to the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors at a future advertised Public Hearing.

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