

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-27

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE
DECLARATION (IS/MND) AND; THE MITIGATION MONITORING & REPORTING
PROGRAM (MMRP) FOR THE CARMEL MEADOWS LIFT STATION AND SEWER
REPLACEMENT PROJECT- #19-03

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WHEREAS, the Carmel Area Wastewater District ("District") desires to adopt the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration ("IS/MND") and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the Carmel Meadows Lift Station and Sewer Replacement Project (the "Project"), which is on file with the District Secretary to the Board and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the § 15074 California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the IS/MND was prepared for this Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project consists of replacement of the existing sewer system serving the odd number houses located at 2795 to 2955 Ribera Road. Project elements include the following: installation of a below grade sewage lift station, replacement of two sections of existing 6-inch vitrified clay pipe with 8-inch high-density polyethylene pipe, installation of a new sewer, installation of four new residential scale grinder pumps, rehabilitation of approximately 400 feet of existing sewer line, and removal of above-ground sections of the existing collector line.

WHEREAS, upon completion of the IS/MND, the District, as the Lead Agency, prepared and filed a Notice of Completion ("NOC") with the State Clearinghouse Office of Planning and Research ("SCH OPR"), for distribution to public agencies and interested parties for a public review period, commencing on April 16, 2022, and ending on May 16, 2022; and

WHEREAS, copies of the IS/MND were provided to all responsible agencies, and copies were also made available at the County of Monterey Office of the County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the District published a Notice of Intent to Adopt an IS/MND in the local newspaper and posted a copy of the notice and IS-MND document at the Monterey County Clerk's Office, and at the District Office; and, online on the District's website; and

WHEREAS, during the public review period, the District received three (3) written comment letters on the IS/MND; and

WHEREAS, the IS/MND identifies potentially significant impacts to the environment, including but not limited to specific impacts to biological resources, cultural and tribal cultural resources, geology and soils, and noise, which impacts can and will be avoided or mitigated to less than significant levels through adoption and implementation of the mitigation measures proposed as part of the Project, the IS/MND and MMRP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors makes the following findings as required by CEQA with respect to the proposed Project:

- A. That the IS/MND was prepared in accordance with all legal requirements of CEQA, including all public notice and comment period requirements;
- B. That the Board of Directors has considered the IS/MND and the opportunity to comment within the public comment period, as well as the opportunity to comment after the public comment period and prior to the date of this Resolution;
- C. That the IS/MND identified all potentially significant environmental impacts of the Project, including but not limited to specific potentially significant impacts to biological resources, cultural and tribal cultural resources, paleontological resources, and noise, which impacts can and will be avoided or mitigated to less than significant levels through adoption and implementation of the mitigation measures proposed as part of the Project, IS/MND, and MMRP;
- D. That the IS/MND reflects the District's independent judgment and analysis;
- E. That there is no substantial evidence in the record that the Project, as mitigated, will have a significant negative effect on the environment;
- F. That the administrative record is located in Carmel Area Wastewater District Office, at 3945 Rio Road, Carmel, California 93923; and

G. That the Board Secretary is designated as the location and custodian of the documents and other material constituting the record of proceedings upon which this decision is based.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Carmel Area Wastewater District, based upon all of the oral and documentary evidence in the record, as follows:

1. That the IS/MND and the MMRP for the Project is adopted; and
2. That the District Board hereby approves the Carmel Meadows Lift Station and Sewer Replacement Project as described in the IS/MND.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Carmel Area Wastewater District on June 30, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: BOARD MEMBERS: PRESIDENT WHITE, DIRECTORS:
D'AMBROSIO, TOWNSEND, RACHEL AND SIEGFRIED

NOES: BOARD MEMBERS:

ABSENT: BOARD MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: BOARD MEMBERS:



Ken White, President of the Board

ATTEST:



Domine Barringer, Secretary to the Board