



WATER DEPARTMENT

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City of Santa Cruz Water Department NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

PROJECT TITLE: Newell Creek Dam Inlet/Outlet Replacement Project

The City of Santa Cruz as the Lead Agency has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Newell Creek Dam Inlet/Outlet Replacement Project (Proposed Project) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

PROJECT LOCATION: Ben Lomond in unincorporated Santa Cruz County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Proposed Project consists of the replacement of the existing aging Newell Creek Dam inlet/outlet works in a new location at the Loch Lomond Reservoir and other associated improvements.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Draft EIR found that implementation of the Proposed Project may result in potentially significant environmental impacts to: biological resources, cultural resources, forest resources, hazards and hazardous materials, and hydrology/water quality, which would be reduced to less than significant with mitigation measures identified in the EIR.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS: Two public information meetings regarding the Proposed Project and Draft EIR will be held on:

- **Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:30 PM: Santa Cruz Police Department Community Room, 155 Center Street in Santa Cruz**
- **Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 6:30 PM: Ben Lomond Highlands Park House, 8500 Highway 9 in Ben Lomond.**

REVIEW AND COMMENT: The 45-day public review period for the Draft EIR is **November 7, 2018 through December 21, 2018.**

Comments on the Draft EIR must be received in writing by email or mail to the contact listed below by 5:00 PM on December 21, 2018. **Please include a return address and contact name.**

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During the public review period, copies of the Draft EIR will be available for review during regular business hours at the following locations:

- City of Santa Cruz Water Department, 212 Locust Street, Suite C in Santa Cruz
- Central Public Library, 224 Church Street in Santa Cruz
- Felton Branch Public Library, 6299 Gushee Street in Felton

The Draft EIR will be posted online at: <http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-departments/water/online-reports/environmental-documents>.