



## WATER DEPARTMENT

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### City of Santa Cruz Water Department NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The City of Santa Cruz as the Lead Agency has prepared an Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Concrete Tanks Replacement Project (Proposed Project) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Concrete Tanks Replacement Project

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Graham Hill Drinking Water Treatment Plant, 715 Graham Hill Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Proposed Project consists of the replacement of three existing concrete tanks that are past their service life. Associated appurtenances will also be constructed and/or replaced to support the water treatment process including two pump stations, a sludge vault, and an electrical building. The existing lower asphalt pad will be expanded and retaining walls built to accommodate the new tank configuration and construction sequencing. The existing access road will be widened and repaved and an existing access foot bridge and staircase replaced. A government records search found that no portion of the project area is on a list of hazardous materials sites.

**ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** The Initial Study and Draft MND found that implementation of the Proposed Project may result in potentially significant environmental impacts to: biological resources, geology/soils, and noise which would be reduced to less than significant with mitigation measures identified in the MND.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING:** A public information meeting regarding the Proposed Project and Draft MND will be held on:

**Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM:**  
**Santa Cruz Police Department Community Room, 155 Center Street in Santa Cruz**

**REVIEW AND COMMENT:** The 30-day public review period for the Draft MND is **March 8, 2019 through April 8, 2019**. Comments on the Draft MND must be received in writing by email or mail to the contact listed below by 5:00 PM on April 8, 2019. **Please include a return address and contact name.**

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During the public review period the Draft MND will be available for review on the City's website at: <http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-departments/water/online-reports/environmental-documents> and 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