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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the E Reservoir Replacement and Pump Station Project

Project Name: E Reservoir Replacement and Pump Station Project

Comment Period: March 25 to April 23, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the Vista Irrigation District (District) has prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The MND is being made available for public review for a period of 30 days. A copy of the MND is available at the District offices located at the address listed below. The MND is also available to review electronically at: <https://www.vidwater.org/publications>

Comments on the MND must be received in writing or via email no later than April 23, 2020 by 5:00 pm, and sent to:

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Location: The project is located on a 1.88-acre property comprised of one parcel (Assessor's Parcel Number 174-240-33) located at 2558 Edgehill Road in unincorporated County of San Diego, California, just east of the City of Vista. See attached map.

Project Description: In accordance with its 2017 Potable Water Master Plan, the District is proposing the replacement of the existing oval shaped, partially buried, 1.5-million-gallon (MG) E Reservoir with a new reservoir and construction of a new pump station. The proposed project would implement an adopted plan for facility improvements. The Potable Water Master Plan identified seven projects along with their cost estimates in their Capital Improvement Program, including all components of the proposed project. These projects would allow VID to provide service to the expected 158,627 people

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that the service area is expected to contain by 2040. The new reservoir would increase storage capacity and provide VID with a facility that meets applicable current codes and standards. The new pump station would provide a redundant water supply to higher-pressure zones within VID's service area when disruptions occur to primary water supplies.

The project would require the demolition of the existing E Reservoir and accessory facilities. Within a similar footprint, the proposed project would construct a cast-in-place hexagonal shaped structure that would increase the on-site capacity to approximately 2.92 MG, which is a 1.42 MG net increase. The hexagonal shape would allow for more easily maintained water quality. The proposed project would also construct a new water pump station. The pumps, control panel, and other electric and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) equipment would be housed in an aboveground structure with approximate dimensions of 20 feet by 38 feet that would match the architectural features of the existing adjacent pressure reducing station (PRS) facility.