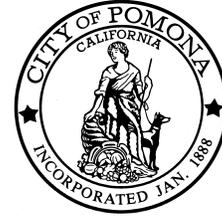


THE CITY OF  
**POMONA**  
Water Resources Department



February 27, 2023

**To: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties**

**Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Pedley Spreading Grounds Pond Enhancements Project**

The City of Pomona prepared an Initial Study for the Pedley Spreading Grounds (PSG) Pond Enhancements Project. Based on the information contained in the Initial Study, the City of Pomona intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City of Pomona is the CEQA Lead Agency for the project.

Project Location: Located at 1691 Longwood Avenue in the City of Claremont, California, the PSG are owned and operated by the City of Pomona (Figure 1). The project site is in Sections 3 and 34; Township 1 South and Township 1 North; Range 8 West; San Bernardino Meridian; within the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Ontario 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle. The three stormwater spreading basins (total of approximately 4 ponded acres) are bounded by single-family residences on Radcliffe Street to the north; Chaparral Elementary School and single-family residences on Longwood Avenue on the east; single family residences on Akron Place, Lowell Avenue and Longwood Avenue on the south; and open space managed by the California Botanic Garden on the west.

Project Description: The three existing basins receive flows from the adjacent (to the north) neighborhood through 42-inch and 18-inch storm drains, as well as process water from the adjacent Pedley Filtration Plant (PFP). The proposed project is a collaborative effort between the Cities of Pomona and Claremont to capture, treat, and infiltrate local urban runoff into the existing PSG to increase water supply through stormwater recharge and to decrease non-point source pollutants. The project includes: grading of the existing PSG basins to enhance percolation; modifications to an existing stormwater junction diversion structure at Baseline Road and Mills Avenue; construction of a new control vault to improve stormwater conveyance to the basins; new water quality pretreatment structure; inlet storm drain extensions; energy dissipater and riprap pads; stilling basin and equalizer structures; spillways, access ramps and roadway improvements; and PFP outlet interconnect piping and controls. Additionally, the project includes implementation of improvements (pathway, plantings, educational signage, viewing area with benches, fencing, and a bike rack) at the Chaparral Park north of PSG.

Environmental Effects: The Initial Study describes potentially significant impacts of the proposed project on biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, water quality, noise, transportation, Tribal cultural resources, and utilities and service systems. Mitigation measures have

been defined to reduce impacts to less than significant levels. Other effects found to be less than significant are also described in the Initial Study.

*Hazardous Waste Disclosure*

Per Section 15072(g)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project is not on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code.

Public Review of the Initial Study: The public review period commences on February 28, 2023 and concludes on March 30, 2023 at 5:00 pm. A copy of the Initial Study is posted at <https://www.pomonaca.gov/Home/Components/News/News/106/14?locale=en>. Copies of the Initial Study are also available for review at the City of Pomona offices (148 N. Huntington Street).

Public Comments: During the public review period, written comments on the Initial Study may be submitted to [Jorge.Anaya@pomonaca.gov](mailto:Jorge.Anaya@pomonaca.gov) or via mail to:

City of Pomona Water Resources Department  
148 N. Huntington Street  
Pomona, California 91768  
Attn: Mr. Jorge D. Anaya

Comments must be submitted by March 30, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

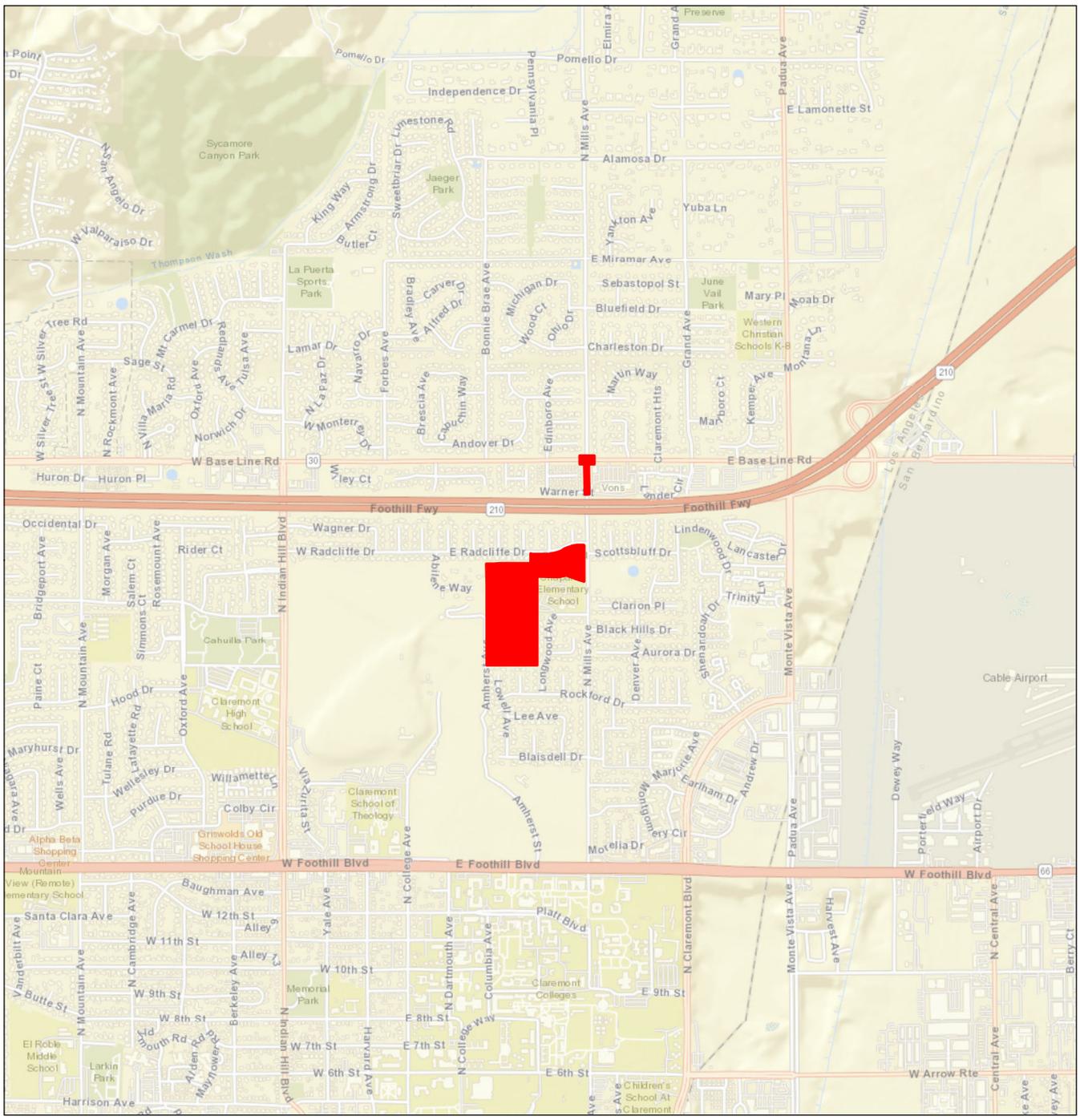
If you require additional information, please contact Mr. Anaya at [Jorge.Anaya@pomonaca.gov](mailto:Jorge.Anaya@pomonaca.gov) or (909) 772-4240.

Sincerely,

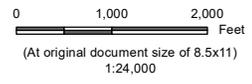


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 Project Location



Project Location Claremont Los Angeles County, California	Prepared by DL on 2022-06-21 TR by SET on 2022-06-21 IR by JV on 2022-06-21
Client/Project City of Pomona Pedley Spreading Grounds Pond Enhancements Project	184031542

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**Notes**  
 1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane California V FIPS 0405 Feet  
 2. Data Sources: Stantec 2022.  
 3. Background: Sources: Esri, GEBCO, NOAA, National Geographic, Garmin, HERE, Geonames.org, and other contributors  
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