



El Dorado Irrigation District

Upper Main Ditch Piping Project Final Environmental Impact Report Available for Review

SUMMARY: This is notice that the El Dorado Irrigation District (EID or District) is providing the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the District's Upper Main Ditch Piping Project (Project) for public review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (CCR §15089). The Project includes construction of a new pipe connection downstream of the Forebay Reservoir valve house, improvements to the inlet structure and conveyance system at the Forebay Reservoir, piping of the District water supply currently conveyed through the Upper Main Ditch, and improvements to the inlet facility at the Reservoir 1 Water Treatment Plant, including construction of a new metering vault and a new energy dissipation structure at the end of the discharge pipe. The Project is located in the Pollock Pines area.

Consistent with CEQA Guidelines (CCR §15132) the FEIR includes: (1) necessary revisions to the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR); (2) comments received on the DEIR; (3) responses of the District to significant environmental points raised in the review process and to comments on environmental issues; and (4) information added by the District to clarify and amplify information contained in the DEIR.

The FEIR includes Master Responses to address environmental issues raised in numerous comments. In addition, the District provided a written response for each CEQA-related comment received during the public review period. The FEIR also includes revisions to the DEIR and new information added to the DEIR after the public review period. These changes and additional information do not require recirculation of the DEIR because they do not constitute "significant new information" (CCR §15088.5). The new information does not show any new significant impacts or substantial increases in the severity of the impacts analyzed in the DEIR. The changes made to the DEIR and the new information added to the FEIR merely clarify or amplify information contained in the DEIR or make insignificant modifications.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENT: The FEIR is available for review at the following locations:

- EID website at www.eid.org/ceqa and www.eid.org/MainDitchProject
- Placerville Main Public Library, 345 Fair Lane, Placerville
- Pollock Pines Public Library, 6210 Pony Express Trail, Pollock Pines
- Pollock Pines-Camino Community Center, 2675 Sanders Drive, Pollock Pines
- EID Customer Service Building, 2890 Mosquito Road, Placerville

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The Project background is posted on EID's website at: www.eid.org/ceqa and www.eid.org/MainDitchProject. If you would like to receive an email notice when updates are posted to the project page, please sign up for eNews at on the District's website at: www.eid.org/eNews

PUBLIC HEARING: EID will hold a public hearing to consider the FEIR at a future meeting of the EID Board of Directors. The hearing will be in the EID Customer Service Building Board Room at the above address. EID will provide an additional notice of this public hearing once a date has been scheduled.