

NOTICE OF INTENT

To Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the City of Sacramento, Department of Utilities

Routine Maintenance of Stream Channels

The City of Sacramento, Department of Utilities ("Department") is proposing to enter a 12-year Routine Maintenance Agreement ("RMA") with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife ("CDFW") for the routine maintenance of stream channels within the Department's jurisdiction throughout the City of Sacramento.

The proposed project would include the following elements:

- Debris and Obstruction Removal
- Silt, Sand, and Sediment Removal
- Vegetation Control
- Non-native Vegetation Removal
- Repair of Erosion Control Work
- New Minor Erosion Control Work
- Trash Removal

To comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Department authorized Blankinship & Associates, Inc. to prepare an Initial Study for the proposed project. The Initial Study includes an environmental checklist that evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project. Based on the results of the Initial Study, the Department has determined that the proposed project can be carried out without significant impacts on the environment. Therefore, the Department proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in order to meet its obligation under CEQA.

Prior to taking final action on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, the Department will consider public comments on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. All interested parties are invited to submit written comments to:

William Roberts
Superintendent of Drainage Services
City of Sacramento, Department of Utilities
1395 35th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95822

The Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) are available for public review at the above address during normal working hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The IS/MND is also available for review on the City's EIR webpage at the following URL:

http://www.cityofsacramento.org/Community-Development/Planning/Environmental/Impact-Reports

The public review period begins on 1/17/2017 and ends on 2/17/2017. All written comments must be received by the close of business on the last day of the review period.

A public hearing on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is expected to be held during the City of Sacramento City Council Meeting tentatively scheduled for **March 21, 2017, at 6:00 PM** at the new City Hall, located at 915 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. After consideration of all comments, the Department will either adopt or reject the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration.