



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NAME OF PROJECT: 1,2,3-Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) Removal Treatment Plant Project (CIP No. W19002)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Chino Hills City Council proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the construction and operation of a 1,2,3-Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) Removal Treatment Plant (Project). The MND addresses a full range of CEQA issues and has identified potentially significant impacts in the area of biological resources and cultural resources, for which mitigation measures are proposed to reduce these impacts to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City of Chino Hills. Copies of the Initial Study (IS), the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting material are available for review at the City's Engineering Department, located at 14000 City Center Drive, Chino Hills, CA 91709. A copy of the IS/MND is available online at <https://www.chinohills.org/TCP>.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Chino Hills is proposing the purchase of land for and the installation of Granular Active Carbon (GAC) treatment vessels in a tandem series train for the removal of 1,2,3-TCP from the City's groundwater supply prior to sending the domestic water to distribution system. The GAC treatment system is designed to remove 1,2,3-TCP that is currently found in several City of Chino Hills well rates above the maximum containment level (MCL) set by the California State Water Resources Control Board adopted Resolution No. 2017-0042. A subsequent Zoning Map Amendment will be prepared to change the zoning designation of the site from Private Institutional to Public Institutional.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is a 0.38-acre property within Assessor Parcel No. 1022-591-02, and is addressed at 90 Independent Court, Chino Hills CA 91709, within the Boys Republic property.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for public review from February 4, 2021 through March 5, 2021. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, 15072 and 15073, the City of Chino Hills hereby offers a public review/comment period of no less than 20 days. All comments on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received no later than 5:30 p.m., Friday, March 5, 2021. Please send your written comments to Mark Wiley, Utility Operations Manager in writing to Chino of Chino Hills - Engineering Department, 14000 City Center Dr., Chino Hills, CA 91709 or via email to mwiley@chinohills.org

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration is recommended to take place during a public meeting before the City Council on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. On March 9, 2021, the City Council will also consider the award of a Professional Services Agreement for the preparation of the engineering design plans and bid documents for the 1,2,3-TCP Removal Treatment Plant project.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the public meeting on March 9, 2021 will be conducted telephonically through Zoom pursuant to Section 3 of the Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, to consider adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the construction and operation of a 1,2,3-Trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) Removal Treatment Plant (Project). Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order, and to ensure the health safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, the Council Chambers will only be open to City Council members and City staff and will not be open to the public for the meeting. Information about attending the City Council meeting telephonically through Zoom will be posted on March 4, 2021 on the City website at: <https://www.chinohills.org/60/Agendas-Minutes>.

FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration, please contact: Mark Wiley, Utility Operations Manager, City of Chino Hills, 14000 City Center Drive, Chino Hills, CA 91709, (909) 364-2854 or mwiley@chinohills.org.

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