

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Rubidoux Community Services District
Utility Repair—Sewer Main
FEMA-1577-DR-CA, PW #1473

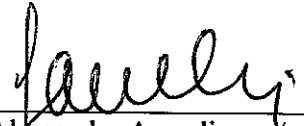
The Rubidoux Community Services District (RCSD) has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) for assistance in the replacement of the regional sewer conveyance facilities that were damaged during the flood event of winter 2004 to 2005 (FEMA-1577-DR-CA).

RCSD would construct three wastewater lift stations—the proposed Juan Diaz Lift Station, a proposed lift station servicing a Riverside County maintenance building (maintenance building), and the proposed Regional Lift Station. The three lift stations would be connected via a network of sewer lines. Approximately 2,600 linear feet (LF) of 14- and 18-inch-diameter force mains would be directionally drilled into bedrock. Approximately 1,700 LF of the force mains would be installed via open trench. Approximately 2,200 LF of 12-inch diameter gravity sewer and 250 LF of 24-inch-diameter gravity sewer would also be installed. RCSD would also construct sewage facilities to provide wastewater service to the maintenance building and to the Louis Rubidoux Nature Center (Nature Center). These facilities would include a 300 LF 6-inch diameter gravity sewer lateral running from the Nature Center and a 600 LF 2-inch-diameter force main running from the proposed maintenance building lift station, both of which would connect to a 12-inch-diameter gravity sewer that would connect to existing sewer facilities. The Proposed Action would include the construction of a new maintenance road that would be approximately 800 feet long and would provide access to the proposed Regional Lift Station. A 4-inch-diameter-water pipeline would be installed within the maintenance road and would run from the proposed Regional Lift Station to existing facilities. Existing 18-inch- and 24-inch diameter flood-damaged gravity sewers would be abandoned. The existing flood-damaged regional lift station would be abandoned and removed.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), FEMA has prepared a Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Proposed Action (February 2008) to address its impacts on the environment. The SEA tiers from the Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for Typical Recurring Actions Resulting From Flood, Earthquake, Fire, Rain, and Wind Disasters in California (December 2003) as proposed by FEMA. The PEA and SEA are available on the internet at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region9.shtm>.

Based upon the conditions and the information contained in the PEA and SEA, and in accordance with FEMA's regulations in 44 CFR Part 10 (Environmental Considerations) and Executive Orders (EOs) 11998 (Floodplain Management), 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), and 12898 (Environmental Justice), the following is concluded:

A Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared because the Proposed Action will not result in any long-term adverse impacts on the environment. This Finding of No Significant Impact serves as the final notice for compliance with EOs 11998 and 11990. Floodplain information required by 44 CFR Part 9.12(e) is provided in the SEA. For more information, contact the undersigned at (510) 627-7027. No action will be allowed to occur until 15 days after publication of this Finding of No Significant Impact

 02/25/08

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