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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Date: October 29, 2025

Project Title: **Westside Potable Emergency Firefighting Water System**

Project Address: Pipelines: various streets west of 19th Avenue from Lake Merced to Lincoln Park and the Presidio; pump stations: 991 Lake Merced Boulevard, 2920 23rd Avenue, and 1949 24th Avenue/1736 Quintara Street

Case No.: **2023-005928ENV**

Block/Lot No.: 7283/004, 7206/001, 2107/001 (for pump station sites); N/A for pipelines in public streets

Zoning District(s): Public (pump station sites); N/A for pipelines in public streets
Height and Bulk District: Open Space (at pump station locations); N/A for pipelines in public streets

Neighborhoods: Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Sunset, Outer Richmond

Project Sponsor:

San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Hannah Young

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hmyoung@sfwater.org

Environmental Case Coordinator:

Timothy Johnston

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The San Francisco Planning Department has studied this project's potential physical environmental effects and welcomes your comments on the adequacy of the preliminary mitigated negative declaration (PMND). Refer to the Project Description and Purpose of Notice sections below for more information.

Project Description

A PMND has been prepared by San Francisco Planning in connection with this project as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to study the project's potential physical environmental effects.

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) is proposing construction of the Westside Potable Emergency Firefighting Water System project (project), which would add a dual-purpose, earthquake-resistant high-pressure water transmission pipeline within existing public streets to provide both fire protection and redundancy for potable water conveyance to western San Francisco. The project would include installation of approximately 16 miles of belowground pipeline and associated appurtenances. In addition, improvements

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would be installed at existing SFPUC facilities as follows: 1) pump station upgrades at the Lake Merced Pump Station; and 2) two new emergency pump stations at the existing Central Pump Station/Merced Manor Reservoir and at Sunset Reservoir. The project would be designed and constructed in phases as funding becomes available, with construction over approximately 15 years from 2026 through 2040. The project would extend generally from Lake Merced in the south to Lincoln Park and the Presidio in the north, generally bounded by Park Presidio Boulevard and 19th Avenue on the east and the Great Highway on the west. More information from the SFPUC may be found at: www.sfpuc.gov/emergencywater

The document is a PMND, containing information about the possible environmental effects of the proposed project. The PMND documents the determination by the Planning Department that the proposed project could not have a significant adverse effect on the environment. The publication of this environmental document does not indicate a decision by the City to approve or disapprove the proposed project.

Projects on State Hazardous Materials Lists: As required by CEQA Guidelines section 15087(c)(6), the following information is provided because the project site is included on the following list compiled pursuant to California Government Code section 65962.5. The site at 645 Sloat Boulevard (the Central Pump Station/Merced Manor Reservoir) is closed, and the site at 991 Lake Merced Boulevard (the Lake Merced Pump Station) is in remediation.

List: Leaking Underground Storage Tank Sites, State Water Resources Control Board
Regulatory Identification Number: T10000003336
Address of Listed Site: 991 Lake Merced Boulevard, San Francisco, CA 94124
Assessor's Block/Lot: 7283/004
Date of List: January 3, 2023

List: Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Site, State Water Resources Control Board
Regulatory Identification Number: T0607500610
Address of Listed Site: 645 Sloat Boulevard, San Francisco, CA 94122
Assessor's Block/Lot: 7206/001
Date of List: December 13, 1995

Purpose of Notice

The PMND is available to view or download from the Planning Department's Negative Declarations and EIRs web page (<http://www.sf-planning.org/sfceqadocs>). Paper copies are also available at the Planning counter of the San Francisco Permit Center on the second floor of 49 South Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco.

Environmental review focuses on the physical *environmental effects* of the project. Comments regarding your like or dislike of the project or if you think officials should approve or disapprove the project will not be addressed in the environmental review document. Instead, we encourage you to provide these comments to the SFPUC. The SFPUC environmental project manager for this project is Hannah Young (hmyoung@sfwater.org or 415.551.4558). If you have questions concerning environmental review of the proposed project, contact the Planning Department staff contact listed above.

You are not required to take any action. If you wish to comment on the adequacy of the PMND, within 30 calendar days following publication of the PMND (by 5:00 p.m. on November 28, 2025, any person may:

1. Make recommendations for amending the text of the document. The text of the PMND may be amended to clarify or correct statements and may be expanded to include additional relevant issues or to cover issues in

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greater depth. This may be done **without** the appeal described below; **OR**

2. Appeal the determination of no significant effect on the environment to the Planning Commission in a letter which specifies the grounds for such appeal, accompanied by a \$787 check payable to the San Francisco Planning Department.¹ An appeal requires the Planning Commission to determine whether or not an Environmental Impact Report must be prepared based upon whether or not the proposed project could cause a substantial adverse change in the environment. To file, send the appeal letter to the Planning Department, Attention: Lisa Gibson, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA 94103 or emailed to lisa.gibson@sfgov.org and **must be received by 5:00 p.m. on November 28, 2025.**

In the absence of an appeal, the mitigated negative declaration shall be made final, subject to necessary modifications, after 30 days from the date of publication of the PMND. If the PMND is appealed, the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (FMND) may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors. The first approval action, as identified in the initial study, would establish the start of the 30-day appeal period for the FMND pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.16(d).

Members of the public are not required to provide personal identifying information when they communicate with the Commission or the Department. All written or oral communications, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available to the public for inspection and copying upon request and may appear on the Department's website or in other public documents.

¹ Upon review by the Planning Department, the appeal fee may be reimbursed for neighborhood organizations that have been in existence for a minimum of 24 months. Appeal fee subject to change for fiscal year 2025-2026.

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Date: 10/29/2025

The San Francisco Planning Department is studying a project's potential environmental effects and welcomes your comments. The enclosed notice concerns a project located in the **Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Sunset, and Outer Richmond neighborhoods (2023-005928ENV)**. The other side of this page describes the environmental review process under state law. You may provide comments by 11/28/2025 or request future project updates from the staff contact indicated in the attached notice.

To obtain information about this notice in Spanish, Chinese, or Filipino, please call 628.652.7550. Please be advised that the Planning Department will require at least one business day to respond to any call.

三藩市規劃局 (San Francisco Planning Department) 正在研究一項專案的潛在環境影響，歡迎大家踴躍提出意見。本函所附的通知書涉及位於 **Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Sunset, and Outer Richmond neighborhoods (2023-005928ENV)** 的專案。本頁背面對加州法律規定的環境影響審核流程做了詳細說明。請於 11/28/2025 日之前針對本案提出評論，或者向本函所附通知書中指定的聯絡人提出要求，繼續瞭解專案的最新發展。請致電 628.652.7550 以索取通知書中文版本資訊。請注意，規劃局需要至少一個工作天才能回電。

El Departamento de Planificación está estudiando los posibles efectos medioambientales de un proyecto y desea saber su opinión. El aviso incluido concierne a un proyecto ubicado en **Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Sunset, and Outer Richmond neighborhoods (2023-005928ENV)**. Al reverso de esta página se describe el proceso de análisis medioambiental según la ley estatal. Usted puede entregar sus opiniones y comentarios a más tardar el 11/28/2025 o solicitar futuras actualizaciones sobre el proyecto al contacto indicado en el aviso adjunto. Para obtener información sobre este aviso en español, llame al 628.652.7550. Le informamos que el Departamento de Planificación necesitará por lo menos un día hábil para responder cualquier llamada.

Pinag-aaralan ng Kagawaran ng Pagpapalano ng San Francisco ang mga potensyal na epekto sa kapaligiran ng isang proyekto at tinatanggap ang iyong mga komento. Ang nakapaloob na paunawa ay patungkol sa isang proyekto na matatagpuan sa **Lakeshore, Parkside, Outer Sunset, and Outer Richmond neighborhoods (2023-005928ENV)**. Inilalarawan ng kabilang panig ng pahinang ito ang proseso ng pagsusuri sa kapaligiran sa ilalim ng batas ng estado. Maaari kang magbigay ng mga komento sa 11/28/2025 o humiling ng mga bagong kaalaman sa proyekto sa hinaharap mula sa pagkontak sa kawani na nakalagay sa kalakip na abiso. Upang makakuha ng impormasyon tungkol sa paunawang ito sa Filipino, mangyaring tumawag sa 628.652.7550. Mangyaring maabisuhan na ang Kagawaran ng Pagpapalano ay mangangailangan ng kahit isang araw ng may trabaho o pasok upang tumugon sa anumang tawag.



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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER 2025-0000074
PROJECT TITLE WESTSIDE POTABLE EMERGENCY FIREFIGHTING WATER SYSTEM		

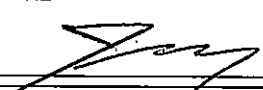
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME HANNAH YOUNG	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL hmyoung@sfgwater.org	PHONE NUMBER (415) 551-4558
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 49 SOUTH VAN NESS AVENUE SUITE 1400	CITY SAN FRANCISCO	STATE CA
ZIP CODE 94103		
PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$ 4,123.50	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$ 2,968.75	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$ 1,401.75	\$ _____
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