## NOTICE OF INTENT and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

(Pursuant to CEQA Section 21092 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15072)

## CAPLES LAKE AND SILVER LAKE EAST CAMPGROUND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

The El Dorado Irrigation District (EID) proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Section 15000 et seq., Title 14, California Code of Regulations) for the Caples Lake and Silver Lake East Campground Improvements Project (project or proposed project). The project involves improvements to camping units, infrastructure, restrooms, and other facilities to meet the most current U.S. Forest Service (USFS) design and accessibility standards of the Architectural Barriers Act, at the Caples Lake and Silver Lake East campgrounds. The improvements are being conducted in accordance with requirements of EID's Federal Energy Regulatory Commission license to operate Project No. 184. The project includes: 1) resurfacing and expanding campground roadways and parking spurs; 2) replacing, expanding, and relocating camping units; 3) replacing the potable water systems; 4) replacing restrooms and other facilities; and 5) abandoning and/or removing existing camping units, pipelines, and other facilities. Project construction is anticipated to take approximately 10 months in fall 2019 and spring/summer 2020. The project site locations are not identified on the lists specified in Government Code section 65962.5 for hazardous waste sites. The project does not increase the capacity or change the existing use of the campgrounds.

EID is the lead agency for the project, under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and has directed the preparation of an Initial Study (IS) on the proposed project in accordance with CEQA requirements, the State CEQA Guidelines, and EID's guidelines. This IS describes the proposed project and assesses the proposed project's potentially significant adverse impacts on the physical environment. It concludes that the proposed project's potentially significant or significant adverse effects on the environment could be mitigated to less-than-significant levels; therefore, a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been prepared.

Agencies and members of the public are invited to comment on the proposed IS/MND. The comment period is from June 28, 2019 to July 29, 2019. The proposed IS/MND can be reviewed at EID's Customer Service Building, 2890 Mosquito Road, Placerville, CA 95667 or on the EID web site at <a href="https://www.eid.org/ceqa">www.eid.org/ceqa</a>. Comments can be sent to Doug Venable, EID Environmental Review Analyst, at the address above or by email at <a href="mailto:dvenable@eid.org">dvenable@eid.org</a> by 5:00 p.m. on July 29, 2019. A public hearing to consider the IS/MND will be held on August 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. during a regularly scheduled meeting of the EID Board of Directors. The hearing will be in the EID Customer Service Building Board Room at the above address.

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