CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SANTA ANA REGION 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501- 3348

December 27, 2022

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401
CERTIFICATION FOR DREDGED OR FILL MATERIAL DISCHARGES FOR COUNTY
OF RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, GILMAN SPRINGS
SHOULDER AND MEDIAN WIDENING PROJECT
TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R8-2023-0011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Santa Ana Water Board) is releasing for public review and comment tentative Order No. R8-2023-0011 (Tentative Order) to County of Riverside Transportation Department (Discharger) for Gilman Springs Shoulder and Median Widening Project (Project). The objective of the Project is to improve safety and traffic operations by eliminating the hazards associated with narrow, undivided roadways on Gilman Springs Road. The Project would reconstruct the existing roadway to a configuration that includes 5-foot graded shoulders, 5-foot paved shoulders with rumble strips, a 12-foot lane in each direction, and a 4-foot double yellow striped median with rumble stripes and impact resistant channelizers in the median. The Project would also include one approximately 6,900-foot long passing lane in the northbound direction from approximately 1,350 feet north of Bridge Street to approximately 1,200 feet north of Eden Springs. The implementation of the Project would result in a total of 0.267-acre permanent impact and 0.137-acre temporary impact to non-wetland waters of the state.

The Santa Ana Water Board intends to consider adopting the Tentative Order during a public hearing at a regularly scheduled Santa Ana Water Board meeting as follows:

Date: February 3, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: City of Anaheim

200 S. Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805

(remote participation available)

The public may participate either in person at the physical meeting location or virtually via the Zoom meeting platform. Instructions concerning how to participate virtually are available on the Santa Ana Water Board's website.

Interested persons may attend and express their views orally on this matter at the public hearing. Oral statements should be brief to allow all interested persons time to be heard. Depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard, the Board Chair may impose a time limit for each speaker.

The Santa Ana Water Board's <u>agenda</u> for the February 3, 2023 meeting will be available on the Santa Ana Water Board's website at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Please check the Santa Ana Water Board's website for the most up-to-date public hearing date and location, as they are subject to change.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Santa Ana Water Board will accept written comments on the Tentative Order during a 30-day public comment period. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Tentative Order are requested to do so as soon as possible, but comments must be received no later than **January 27, 2023**.

Written comments can be submitted to Hossein Shahrokhnia at Hossein.Shahrokhnia@waterboards.ca.gov or by fax at (951) 781-6288. Hand deliveries and mailed comments should be sent to the address below:

Attn: Hossein Shahrokhnia, Environmental Scientist Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board 3737 Main Street, Ste. 500 Riverside, CA 92501

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

A copy of the Tentative Order is available on the "<u>Tentative Orders</u>" page of the Santa Ana Water Board's website.

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the Tentative Order may be made by calling the Santa Ana Water Board at (951) 782-4130.

ACCESSILBILITY

Any person who requires special accommodation to participate in the Santa Ana Water Board hearing should contact Jessica Baenre at (951) 782-3285 no later than January 20, 2023.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to Hossein Shahrokhnia by email at Hossein.Shahrokhnia@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (951) 782-4998.