

## **Notice of Intent (NOI) Application Reception**

**File Number:** 362025-15

**Project Name:** Utility Potholing Investigation (Project) for the Euclid Avenue Bridge

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**Project Location:** 33.947708° N, -117.651419° W

**Project City and County:** Chino, San Bernardino

**Applicant Organization:** City of Chino Public Works Department

**Applicant Name:** Michele Hindersinn

**Waterboard Staff:** TBA

### **Brief Description of Project:**

**Project Description:** The City of Chino (City) is proposing to conduct utility potholing within and in areas adjacent to the paved Euclid Avenue roadway between State Route (SR) 71 and Pine Avenue. The purpose of the potholing is to locate and verify the presence of underground utilities in preparation for the proposed Euclid Avenue Bridge project. The Euclid Avenue Bridge project would include replacing the existing Euclid Avenue bridge crossing over Chino Creek; thus, utility potholing is necessary to ensure construction of the proposed new bridge foundations would not impact existing underground utility lines.

**Project Activities:** Utility potholing involves digging a series of non-intrusive, non-destructive test holes to gather as much information as possible about the depth and location of various utilities on or around a property prior to starting any major excavation and construction activities. A total of 36 pothole locations are proposed for the Euclid Avenue Bridge project site, six (6) of which would be x-trench potholes, described further in the following section below (see Figure 4 – Utility Pothole Locations). Based on the pothole locations shown in Figure 4 and the results of the jurisdictional delineation conducted for the Project site area, a total of six (6) of the standard potholes would result in impacts within jurisdictional limits; none of the x-trench potholes occur within jurisdictional limits (see Figure 5 – RWQCB Jurisdictional Impacts). Each standard pothole would be approximately 1 square foot for a total of six (6) square feet (0.0001 acre) of impacts within jurisdictional areas. These six (6) potholes would occur within areas delineated as wetland waters of the State; no potholes would occur within non-wetland waters of the State. However, because the locations of these 6 potholes are within the impact footprint of the overall bridge replacement Project, impacts resulting from the utility potholes would be temporary. The overall bridge replacement project proposes to restore temporary vegetation clearing impacts post-construction, which

would include any vegetation temporarily removed within the footprint of each pothole. No permanent impacts within jurisdictional waters or to biological resources would occur as a result of pothole activities.