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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Terminal Hill Tunnel and Shaft Project

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and Article 6 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), as the local lead agency, hereby gives notice of intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Terminal Hill Tunnel and Shaft Project.

Project Description:

The LADWP is proposing to realign the existing Second Los Angeles Aqueduct (SLAA) pipeline where it crosses over Terminal Hill into a tunnel extending through the hill in the northeastern portion of the City of Los Angeles.

Project Purpose:

- Reduce the reoccurring seismic damage to the SLAA pipeline at Terminal Hill;
- Reduce the potential for seismic-related erosion and flooding resulting from rupture of the SLAA pipeline at Terminal Hill;
- Prevent collateral damage to the neighboring First Los Angeles Aqueduct (FLAA); and
- Improve reliability during seismic events.

Project Location:

The proposed project site is located north of Interstate 5, (I-5, Sacramento Freeway), between its intersection with Interstate 210 (I-210, Golden State Freeway) and State Route 14 (SR-14, Antelope Valley Freeway) near the communities of Sylmar and Granada Hills. The site is bounded by Foothill Boulevard to the south and west, Magazine Canyon to the north, and the Cascades Golf Club to the east. The Angeles National Forest is located approximately 1.0 mile northeast.

Public Review Period:

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) is being made available for a 30-day public comment period beginning on September 11, 2008 and concluding on October 10, 2008 (comment letters must be postmarked by

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October 10, 2008). Copies of the IS/MND will be made available online at <http://www.ladwp.com/envnotices> , at the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's John Ferraro Building (111 North Hope Street, Room 1044, Los Angeles, CA 90012), and the Sylmar Branch Public Library (14561 Polk Street, Sylmar, CA 91342). Please submit comments in writing to the following address:

Thomas Dailor
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111 N. Hope St., Room 1044
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Fax (213) 367-4710

Hearing:

The LADWP Board of Commissioners is tentatively scheduled to consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the proposed project on December 2, 2008. Hearing information is as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, December 2, 2008
TIME: 1:30 PM
LOCATION: LADWP Board Room
111 N. Hope Street, 15th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Please check the Board agenda within 72 hours of the scheduled time and date to confirm. You may access the Board agenda on the Internet at <http://www.ladwp.com/AboutLADWP> or contact the commission office at (213) 367-1350.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Tom Dailor at (213) 367-0221.