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January 22, 2014

Mr. Scott Morgan  
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Governor's Office of Planning and Research  
State of California  
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Subject: Responses to Comments on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration  
for the Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project

Thank you for your comments (Letter No. 1, enclosed) on the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project (Project). Your comments and a response to your comments are provided as follows:

**Response 1-A**

This comment states that the comment letter contains the comments provided by State agencies and also states that the Project has complied with State Clearinghouse review requirements. The comment letter included the Caltrans response letter.

Thank you for your comment. This comment includes introductory remarks and does not state a specific concern or question regarding the adequacy of the environmental impact analysis in the MND. The comment included the letter received from Caltrans; responses to Caltrans' comments are provided in Comment Letter 3. This comment has been forwarded to the City of Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners (Board) for review. No further response is required.

Adoption of the MND and consideration of the proposed Project by the Board is tentatively scheduled for March 4, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. The meeting location is:

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power  
Room 1555-H, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Regular meeting agendas are available to the public at least 72 hours before the Board meets. The Board Agenda may be viewed on the LADWP website at <http://www.ladwp.com/AboutLADWP> or the commission office may be contacted at (213) 367-1350. If you have any questions or are in need of additional information, please contact Ms. Irene Paul of my staff at (213) 367-3509.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles C. Holloway for".

Charles C. Holloway  
Manager of Environmental Planning and Assessment

IP:mg  
Enclosure  
c/enc: Ms. Irene Y. Paul



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November 22, 2013

Irene Paul  
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power  
111 North Hope Street, Room 1044  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project  
SCH#: 2013101066

Dear Irene Paul:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Mitigated Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. On the enclosed Document Details Report please note that the Clearinghouse has listed the state agencies that reviewed your document. The review period closed on November 21, 2013, and the comments from the responding agency (ies) is (are) enclosed. If this comment package is not in order, please notify the State Clearinghouse immediately. Please refer to the project's ten-digit State Clearinghouse number in future correspondence so that we may respond promptly.

Please note that Section 21104(c) of the California Public Resources Code states that:

"A responsible or other public agency shall only make substantive comments regarding those activities involved in a project which are within an area of expertise of the agency or which are required to be carried out or approved by the agency. Those comments shall be supported by specific documentation."

These comments are forwarded for use in preparing your final environmental document. Should you need more information or clarification of the enclosed comments, we recommend that you contact the commenting agency directly.

This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. Please contact the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan  
Director, State Clearinghouse

Enclosures  
cc: Resources Agency

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**SCH#** 2013101066  
**Project Title** Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project  
**Lead Agency** Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

**Type** MND Mitigated Negative Declaration

**Description** The proposed project would expand the use of recycled water within Griffith Park and the City of Los Angeles Los Feliz area. Implementation of the proposed project would extend the existing Greenbelt Water Recycling distribution line south to serve the Roosevelt Golf Course. The proposed project would include the construction of a total of approximately 7,400 linear feet of pipeline, a recycled water pump station, and a recycled water storage tank with a capacity of 1 million gallons. Approximately 2,100 linear feet of a 12-inch pipeline would connect with an existing 8-inch recycled water pipeline located southwest of the intersection of Griffith Park Drive and Crystal Springs Drive. The pipeline would be installed within the existing roadway and connect north of the proposed recycled water pump station located on the east side of Fire Road. The pipeline would connect to the proposed pump station. The pipeline would continue for approximately 2,500 feet and would be installed using Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) construction method, to avoid impacts to trail users. Approximately 1,400 linear feet of 12-inch pipeline would be constructed from the HDD receiving pit to a new recycled water storage tank, located southeast of existing Tank 114. It is anticipated the golf course would require approximately 310 acre feet per year (AFY) of recycled water for irrigation.

### Lead Agency Contact

**Name** Irene Paul  
**Agency** Los Angeles Department of Water and Power  
**Phone** 213 367 3509 **Fax**  
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**Address** 111 North Hope Street, Room 1044  
**City** Los Angeles **State** CA **Zip** 90012

### Project Location

**County** Los Angeles  
**City** Los Angeles, City of  
**Region**  
**Lat / Long** 34° 7' 54.67" N / 118° 17' 1.47" W  
**Cross Streets** Crystal Springs Drive, Fire Road, Griffith Park Drive, Vista Del Valle Drive  
**Parcel No.** 5593002906, 5593002905  
**Township** **Range** **Section** **Base**

### Proximity to:

**Highways** Hwy 5, 134  
**Airports**  
**Railways** Metrolink / Amtrak  
**Waterways** Los Angeles River  
**Schools** Los Feliz Nursery School and John Marshall HS  
**Land Use** Open Space (OS-1XL)

**Project Issues** Aesthetic/Visual; Agricultural Land; Air Quality; Archaeologic-Historic; Biological Resources; Drainage/Absorption; Flood Plain/Flooding; Forest Land/Fire Hazard; Geologic/Seismic; Minerals; Noise; Population/Housing Balance; Public Services; Recreation/Parks; Schools/Universities; Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading; Toxic/Hazardous; Traffic/Circulation; Vegetation; Water Quality; Water Supply; Wetland/Riparian; Wildlife; Landuse; Cumulative Effects

**Reviewing Agencies** Resources Agency; Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources; Resources, Recycling and Recovery; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans, District 7; CA Department of Public Health; Air Resources Board; Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 4; Native American Heritage Commission; Public Utilities Commission

**State Clearinghouse Data Base**

**Date Received** 10/23/2013

**Start of Review** 10/23/2013

**End of Review** 11/21/2013

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Ms. Irene Paul  
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power  
Environmental Planning and Assessment  
11 North Hope Street, Room 1044  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

SCH# 20130101066

RE: Griffith Park South Water, Recycling Project  
IGR/CEQA No. 131048/NOI  
Vic. LA-5, PM 23.965 to 38.568

Dear Ms. Paul:

Thank you for allowing the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to review the proposed Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project. The project is located within Griffith Park at 4730 Crystal Springs Drive in the City of Los Angeles.

The proposed project would expand the use of recycled water within Griffith Park and the Los Feliz area of the City of Los Angeles. When the project is fully implemented, it will extend the existing Greenbelt Water Recycling distribution line south to serve the Roosevelt Golf Course, which is a prime customer for recycled water. Construction of the project will include recycling water pipelines, a water pump station, a regulator valve, and a recycled water storage tank.

The Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project is approximately 2-3 miles from Interstate 5 (I-5). However, because the construction of the project is within Griffith Park, Caltrans does not expect project approval to result in a direct adverse impact to the existing State transportation facility.

Storm water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles and Ventura counties. Please be mindful that projects should be designed to discharge clean run-off water. Additionally, discharge of storm water run-off is not permitted onto State highway facilities.

Transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials, which requires the use of oversized-transport vehicles on State highways, will require a transportation permit from the Department. It is recommended that large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods. In addition, a truck/traffic construction management plan may be needed for this project.

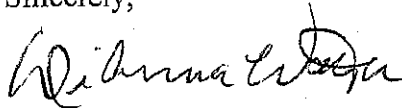
Ms. Irene Paul

October 29, 2013

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If you have any questions, you may reach Zeron Jefferson, project coordinator at (213) 897-0219 and please refer to IGR number 131048/ZJ.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dianna Watson".

DIANNA WATSON  
IGR/CEQA Branch Chief

cc: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse