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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ROSCOE TRUNK LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

**Date:** March 24, 2022

**To**: Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Roscoe

Trunk Line Replacement Project

An Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) has been prepared by the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for the proposed Roscoe Trunk Line Replacement (RTLR) Project. LADWP is the Lead Agency, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, responsible for preparation of this document.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

LADWP proposes to replace approximately 21,000 linear feet of the existing Roscoe Trunk Line Project (proposed project). The RTLR would parallel the existing Roscoe Trunk Line within Roscoe Boulevard from Mason Avenue on the west to Louise Avenue of the east, in the west San Fernando Valley area of the City of Los Angeles. The proposed project would also include approximately 18,000 linear feet of a new 16-inch diameter distribution mainline, approximately 2,300 linear feet of 12-inch diameter replacement distribution mainline, and two new pressure regulating stations. All these proposed facilities would be located underground within the road right-of-way. Construction for the proposed project is preliminarily scheduled to begin in mid-2024 and would take approximately seven years to complete. The majority of the RTLR would be installed through an open-trench method of construction, while in certain areas, a microtunneling construction method would be employed to install the trunk line. The primary objective of the proposed project is to replace the existing Roscoe Trunk Line to increase and maintain the reliability and resilience of the potable water system supplying the 927-foot service zone. In addition, through direct interconnections with adjacent service zones (the 1,124-foot zone and the 1,134-foot zone), the RTLR would also improve system redundancy and thereby increase reliability and operational flexibility in the 927-foot zone as well as other service zones in the west San Fernando Valley. A majority of the RTLR and mainline would consist of earthquake resistant ductile iron pipe.

## PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project would be located in the western San Fernando Valley of the City of Los Angeles. The replacement trunk line would parallel the existing Roscoe Trunk Line

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within Roscoe Boulevard from approximately Mason Avenue on the west to Louise Avenue on the east. Roscoe Boulevard, an east-west thoroughfare, forms the boundary between the communities of Northridge and Chatsworth to the north and Reseda and Winnetka to the south. The replacement line would be routed entirely within Roscoe Boulevard. However, the proposed 12-inch diameter distribution mainline would be located within Reseda Boulevard, from Roscoe Boulevard to south of Bryant Street. On the east, the RTLR would connect directly to the existing 61-inch Encino Inlet Trunk Line and the 1,134-foot service zone at Louise Avenue. On the west, the RTLR would connect directly to a 48-inch stub-out from the new 54-inch De Soto Trunk Line Replacement and the 1,123-foot service zone near Manson Avenue.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The 30-day public comment period for the IS/MND will commence on March 24, 2022 and conclude on April 22, 2022. The IS/MND is available for review on the LADWP website at <a href="http://www.ladwp.com/envnotices">http://www.ladwp.com/envnotices</a>. Copies of the IS/MND may be requested using the contact information provided below:

Please submit comments in writing to the address provided below. Comment letters must be received by **5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2022**.

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power 111 North Hope Street, Room 1044 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attn: Ms. Nancy Chung Email: Nancy.Chung@ladwp.com

All comment letters or emails received related to the IS/MND will be included in the final package that is provided to the City of Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners for final consideration.

PLEASE NOTE: LADWP's practice is to make the entirety of comments received a part of the public record. Therefore names, home addresses, home phone numbers, and email addresses of commenters, if included in the response, will be made part of the record

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available for public review. Individual commenters may request that LADWP withhold their name and/or home addresses, etc., but if you wish LADWP to consider withholding this information you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. In the absence of this written request, this information will be made part of the record for public review. LADWP will always make submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives of, or officials of, organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

For any questions regarding the review of the IS/MND, please contact Ms. Nancy Chung at (213) 367-0404.

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