

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Coachella Valley Water District

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Project Title:	Delta Conveyance Project
Lead Agency:	California Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) 1516 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Contact: Marcus Yee Phone: (916) 651-6726
Project Applicant:	DWR 1516 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Contact: Marcus Yee Phone: (916) 651-6726
Responsible Agency:	Coachella Valley Water District (“CVWD”) Contact: William Patterson, Environmental Supervisor 75-515 Hovley Lane East Palm Desert, CA 92211 Phone: (760) 398-2651
Project Location:	Pre-Construction work for the Delta Conveyance Project will occur within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (“Delta”) in Alameda, Contra Costa, Sacramento, Solano, San Joaquin, and Yolo Counties. See Attachment 1 and Figure 1.
Project Description:	<p>On December 21, 2023, DWR certified the environmental impact report (“EIR”) for, and approved, the Delta Conveyance Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2020010227). The Delta Conveyance Project consists of pre-construction activities (discussed below) and the construction, operation, and maintenance of new State Water Project (“SWP”) water diversion and conveyance facilities in the Delta that would be operated in coordination with existing SWP facilities.</p> <p>The Delta Conveyance Project includes the following key components and actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efforts to identify geotechnical, hydrogeologic, agronomic, and other field conditions that will guide appropriate construction methods and monitoring programs for final engineering design and construction data collection and field work investigations, including ground-disturbing geotechnical work, water quality and hydrogeologic investigations, agronomic testing, the installation of monitoring equipment, construction test projects, pre-construction design work, and engineering work (“Pre-Construction Work”).

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two intake facilities along the Sacramento River in the north Delta near the community of Hood with on-bank intake structures that would include fish screens. • A concrete-lined tunnel, and associated vertical tunnel shafts, to convey flow from the intakes about 45 miles to the south of the Bethany Reservoir Pumping Plant and Surge Basin at a location south of the existing SWP Clifton Court Forebay. • A Bethany Reservoir Pumping Plant to lift the water from inside the tunnel below ground into the Bethany Reservoir Aqueduct for conveyance to the Bethany Reservoir Discharge Structure and into the existing Bethany Reservoir. • Other ancillary facilities to support construction and operation of the conveyance facilities including, but not limited to, access roads, concrete batch plants, fuel stations, and power transmission and/or distribution lines. <p>CVWD, as a responsible agency, has issued a limited approval relating to additional funding for Pre-Construction Work for the Delta Conveyance Project. Apart from funding for the Pre-Construction Work, CVWD has not issued any other approval for the Delta Conveyance Project.</p>
<p>Person or entity undertaking the project pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21065</p>	<p>DWR is undertaking the Delta Conveyance Project.</p>

This is to advise that, on or about October 8, 2024, CVWD, as a Responsible Agency, considered the EIR certified for the Delta Conveyance Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2020010227); made CEQA Findings of Fact pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15091 and 15096 for the Delta Conveyance Project; adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15093; approved Resolution No. 2024-38 to authorize additional funding for Pre-Construction Activities for the Delta Conveyance Project; and made the following determinations regarding the Pre-Construction Work:

1.	The Pre-Construction Work will have a significant effect on the environment.
2.	An EIR was previously prepared and certified by DWR for the Delta Conveyance Project, which included an analysis of the Pre-Construction Work, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3.	Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the Delta Conveyance Project, including the Pre-Construction Work, by DWR.
4.	A mitigation monitoring or reporting plan was adopted by DWR.
5.	Findings were made pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15091 and the provisions of CEQA.

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6. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was** adopted.

This is to certify that the above-referenced EIR and the record of proceedings relating to the Agency's above-described action is available to the general public at the following location:

Coachella Valley Water District
Steve Robbins Administration Building
75-515 Hovley Lane East
Palm Desert, CA 92211

Date: October 8, 2024


Sylvia Bermudez, Clerk of the Board

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Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.

Attachment 1 **Project Location**

The project area consists of the construction footprint of the project facilities. The physical footprint of the Project would lie primarily within the boundaries of the statutorily defined Delta. Additionally, certain facilities that would be constructed under the Project would be located southeast of the statutory Delta (see Figure 1, Project Location).

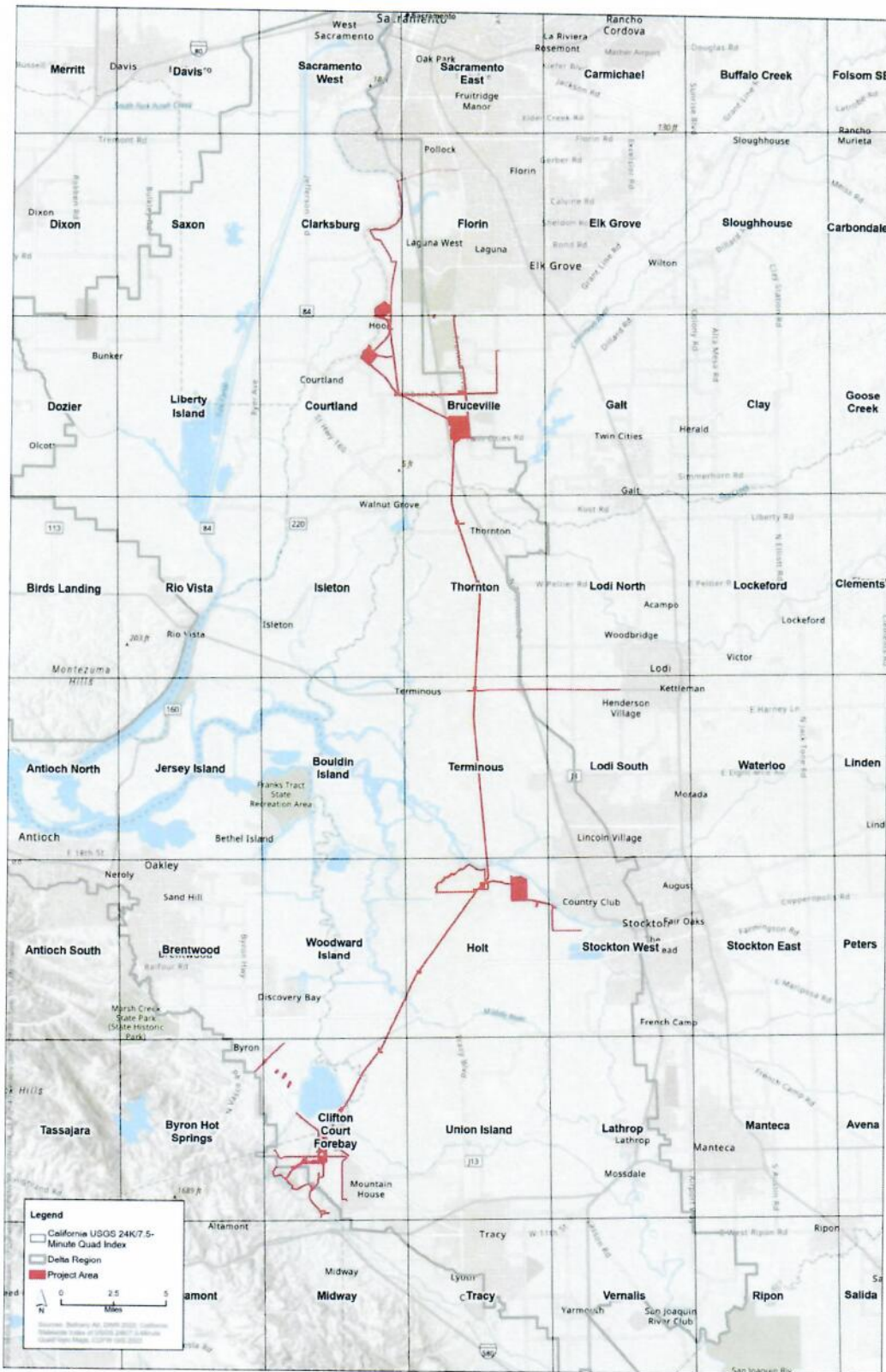


Figure 1. Project Location