## Notice of Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Report and Public Meeting for DEL PUERTO CANYON RESERVOIR PROJECT

**Notice is Hereby Given** that the Del Puerto Water District completed the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project. The FEIR will be available for public review beginning October 9, 2020.

**Public Review:** The FEIR and supporting documents related to this project can be reviewed at the locations listed below or online at the project website:

https://www.delpuertocanyonreservoir.com/resources#documents 🖵

**Del Puerto Water District** 17840 Ward Ave Patterson, CA 95363 San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority 541 H Street

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**Background:** The Del Puerto Water District (DPWD) and San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (Exchange Contractors) as Project Partners jointly propose to construct and operate the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project (DPCR). The DPCR would be located in the foothills west of Patterson, CA and Interstate 5, providing 82,000 acre-feet of locally owned storage south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Water would be conveyed from the Delta-Mendota Canal (DMC) for storage in the reservoir and would be discharged back to the DMC. Stored water would serve agricultural users and wildlife refuges. The project includes construction of a main dam, saddle dams, spillway, inlet/outlet works, conveyance facilities (including diversion facility on the DMC, pumping plant, and appurtenant components) and electrical facilities (power line and electrical substation). The project includes relocating existing utilities and Del Puerto Canyon Road.

The FEIR assesses potential project impacts on resources including aesthetics, agriculture, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and recreation, traffic and transportation, tribal cultural resources, utilities and service systems, and environmental justice. Chapter 9 of the FEIR includes responses to comments that were received during public review of the Draft EIR. The FEIR concludes that the DPCR would have significant unavoidable impacts on aesthetics, cultural resources, GHG emissions, traffic during construction, and impacts associated with the need to relocate utilities.

## For further information contact:

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## **Final EIR Certification**

On the following date, the Del Puerto Water District will consider certification of the Final EIR at the regularly scheduled meeting of the District Board.

Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 8:30 AM

In accordance with Governor Newsom's EO N-29-20, the meeting will be held using Zoom. Details for joining the meeting are provided below

## https://tinyurl.com/dpcr-oct21 🖵

Meeting ID: 990 7124 3570 Passcode: 816385

Dial by your location: (669) 900-6833 (San Jose) 🧈

Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/acbi9EoNIx

