

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Monterey One Water (M1W, formerly Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency), in partnership with the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), has released a **Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Proposed Modifications to the Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project (Draft Supplemental EIR)**. M1W is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The State Clearinghouse number for the project is SCH#2013051094. A Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) was certified by M1W on October 8, 2015 and three addenda to the Final EIR have been prepared and approved by MPWMD and M1W (one in 2016 and two in 2017) for prior project changes.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: M1W, in partnership with MPWMD, is proposing modifications to the approved Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project (Proposed Modifications) which would increase the project yield so that the expanded project can serve as a back-up to the California American Water Company (CalAm) Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project desalination project (MPWSP), not as an option in the place of, the CalAm MPWSP, in the event that the CalAm desalination project is delayed beyond the Cease and Desist Order deadline of December 31, 2021. The approved PWM/GWR Project creates a reliable water supply to replace existing water supply sources for northern Monterey County. The Supplemental Draft EIR evaluates the Proposed Modifications, which would increase the amount of purified recycled water produced by 2,250 AFY using the following new and modified facilities: (1) improvements at the approved Advanced Water Purification Facility to increase peak capacity; (2) new product water conveyance facilities; (3) new and relocated injection well facilities, including monitoring wells; and (4) new potable water facilities consisting of four new extraction wells, related pipelines and appurtenances, and treatment facilities.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Proposed Modifications to the approved PWM/GWR Project would be located within northern Monterey County and would include new and modified facilities located within unincorporated areas of Monterey County and within the City of Seaside. See attached figure.

ANTICIPATED IMPACTS: Significant environmental impacts of the PWM/GWR Project with Proposed Modifications are anticipated in the following issue areas: Aesthetics; Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases; Biological Resources (Terrestrial); Cultural and Paleontological Resources; Energy and Mineral Resources; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Land Use, Agriculture, and Forest Resources; Noise and Vibration; Public Services, Recreation, and Utilities; Traffic and Transportation; and, Growth Inducement.

HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES: Some components of the approved PWM/GWR Project and its Proposed Modifications would be located on a hazardous waste site enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code: the entire former Fort Ord Military Base is designated by the U.S. EPA as a Superfund National Priority List site.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD: The public review and comment period for the Draft Supplemental EIR begins on November 7, 2019 and ends December 23, 2019, for more than the minimum required 45-days. Copies of the Draft Supplemental EIR, including documents incorporated by reference, are available for review during normal business hours at the M1W Administrative Office, 5 Harris Court, Bldg. D, Monterey, CA 93940, at the M1W Regional Treatment Plant, 14811 Del Monte Blvd., Marina, CA 93933, and at the MPWMD Office, 5 Harris Court, Bldg. G, Monterey, CA 93940. The Draft Supplemental EIR is also available online at the Pure Water Monterey Project website at: www.purewatermonterey.org. The Draft Supplemental EIR may also be viewed at the following public libraries:

- Seaside Public Library at 550 Harcourt Ave., Seaside, CA 93955
- Marina Public Library at 188 Seaside Cir., Marina, CA 93933
- Monterey Public Library at 625 Pacific St., Monterey, CA 93940
- Castroville Public Library at 11160 Speegle St., Castroville, CA 95012

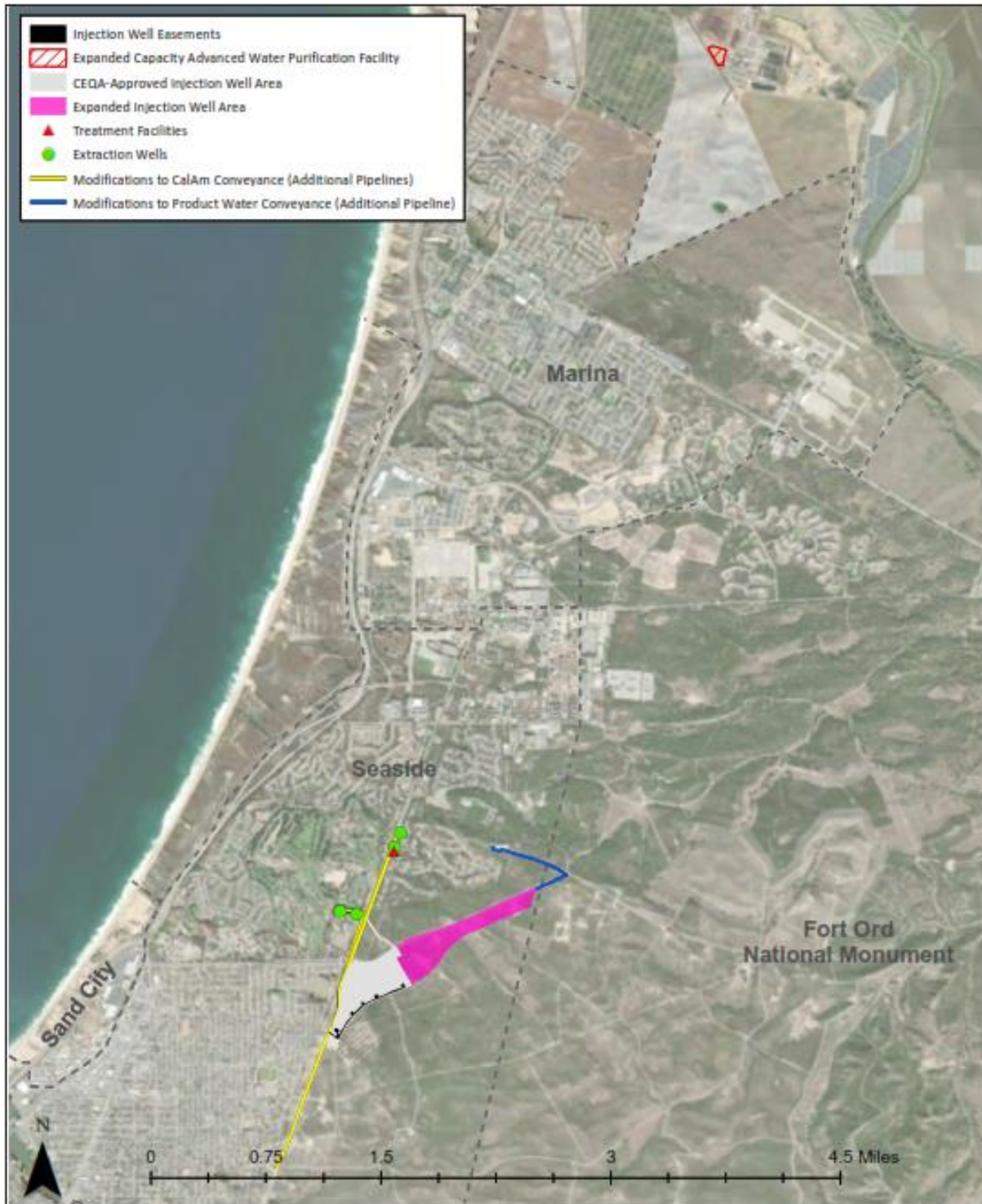
PUBLIC MEETINGS: One public meeting has been scheduled during the Draft Supplemental EIR public review period to share information about the Draft Supplemental EIR and to receive public comments. Spanish translation will be available, and the venue is accessible under the Americans with Disabilities (ADA). The date and location of the meeting is **December 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at Oldemeyer Center, 986 Hilby Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955**.

Comments on the Draft Supplemental EIR must be submitted in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 23, 2019 to the mailing address or email address listed below:

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Proposed Modifications to PWM/GWR Project

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Expanded PWM/GWR Project
 Supplemental EIR

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