



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE
PIPS PARALLEL FORCE MAIN PROJECT**

C6502032
GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN HOOPER STREET AND
ELLIS CREEK WATER RECYCLING FACILITY
NUMEROUS APNS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in compliance with Section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, to responsible agencies, trustee agencies, interested parties, and the general public, that the City of Petaluma has made available for public review a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the PIPS Parallel Force Main Project (Project) generally located between Hoper Street and Ellis Creek Water Recycling Facility (ECWRF). The IS/MND is available for review electronically at <https://cityofpetaluma.org/pipsforcemain/>. **The City will accept public comments on the IS/MND for at least 30 days beginning October 18, 2024, and extending to November 18, 2024.**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Primary Influent Pump Station (PIPS) Parallel Force Main project (“project”, “proposed project”) would include construction of an approximately 13,000-foot-long new force main that would approximately follow the 12,900-foot-long alignment of the existing City force main from the City’s PIPS facility to its termination at the ECWRF. The proposed parallel force main would deviate from the existing force main alignment for approximately 1,000 linear feet to avoid construction across the Azure Apartment Homes. The proposed parallel force main would bypass this property by constructing along Casa Grande Road and Technology Lane.

The proposed project also includes construction and operation of a multi-use pedestrian and bicycle pathway between Marina Avenue and Casa Grande Road.

PROJECT LOCATION: In general, the force main extends from Hopper Street to ECWRF, 3890 Cypress Drive, Petaluma, California. The proposed multi-use pathway would be located between Marina Avenue and Casa Grande Road, Petaluma, California.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVEIW: The IS/MND prepared for the project identifies potentially significant impacts that will be mitigated to less than significant levels for the environmental topics of: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology/Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Wildfire, and Mandatory Findings of Significance. Mitigation measures to avoid or reduce the potentially significant impacts to less than significant levels are identified in the IS/MND.

HOW TO COMMENT ON THE DRAFT IS/MND: Interested parties, regulatory agencies, stakeholders, and members of the public may submit written comments on the Draft IS/MND during the public review period starting on October 18, 2024, and extending through November 18, 2024. Written comments must be sent to the City of Petaluma/Attn: Kristin Arnold, 1318 Redwood Way, Ste. 120, zip 94954, or submitted via email to karnold@cityofpetaluma.org.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: You may contact Kristin Arnold, Senior Engineer, at (707) 780-7892 or karnold@cityofpetaluma.org or Olivia Ervin, Principal Environmental Planner, at (707) 778-4556 or oervin@cityofpetaluma.org regarding project information and the IS/MND. Staff will make every effort to provide digital copies of information about this project in response to individual requests to the phone number or e-mail provided above. Proposed project plans may also be viewed at <https://cityofpetaluma.org/pipsforcemain/>.

PUBLIC HEARING(s): Public review at public hearing(s) of the Draft IS/MND has not yet been scheduled. When hearing date(s) are determined, appropriate public meeting notice(s) will be issued.



Petaluma PIPS Parallel Force Main Project

City of Petaluma

Legend

- Proposed PIPS Parallel Force Main Alignment
- Existing PIPS Force Main Alignment
- Proposed Multi-Use Pathway



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