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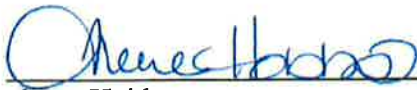
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## Proposed Action

Westside Water District (District) is requesting permission to modify an existing turnout (Lateral 10) that is used for the diversion of CVP water under Contract No. 14-06-200-8222-LTR1 from the Tehama-Colusa Canal (Canal) at Milepost 90.00L. This water would serve land owned by Peterson Ranch who is within the District boundary. Modifications would include adding a 16" steel pipe and flange to the 32" existing steel pipe with a new meter in an area that was previously disturbed when the turnout was constructed (Figure 1). The new connection will allow the lateral to operate near the maximum design flow of the venturi meter. Currently the flow is restricted to 8 cfs. The new pipe will be placed underground parallel to the existing pipe which its elevation is unknown at this time. All excavated material will be re-compacted to original condition.

Additionally, a portion of this facility was inadvertently built on Reclamation land (Attachment 1 & 2). A new license agreement will be issued to the District for the portion of the facility which is encroached on Reclamation land and for the new 16" steel pipe and upgrades.

The facilities are located in Section 14, Township 15 North, Range 3 West, Mount Diablo Base Meridian, Colusa County, CA.

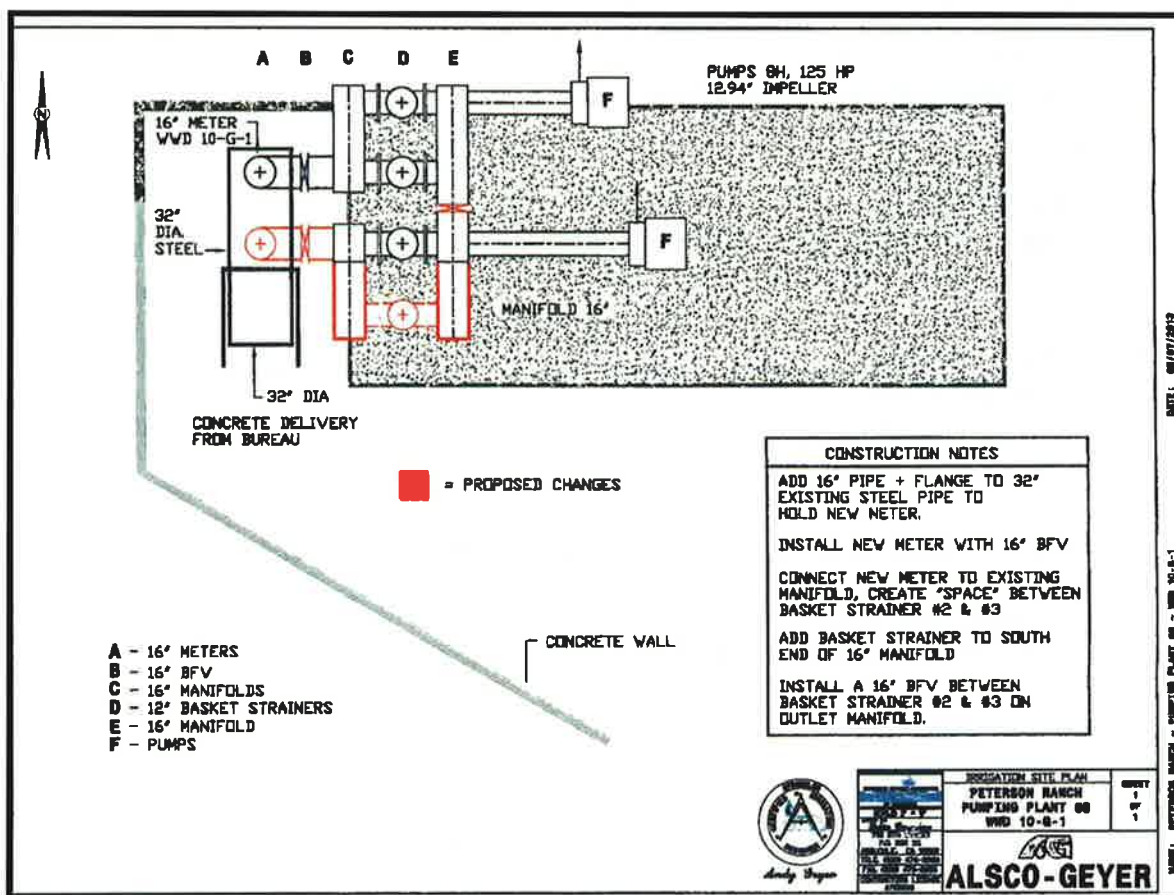


Figure 1. Proposed changes to the existing turnout.

## Exclusion Categories

Bureau of Reclamation Categorical Exclusion – 516 DM 14.5, D(10): Issuance of permits, licenses, easements and crossing agreements which provide right-of-way over Bureau of Reclamation lands where the action does not allow or lead to larger public or private action.

## Extraordinary Circumstances

Below is an evaluation of the extraordinary circumstances as required in 43 CFR 46.215.

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| 1. This action would have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment (40 CFR 1502.3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. This action would have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA Section 102(2)(E) and 43 CFR 46.215(c)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. This action would have significant impacts on public health or safety (43 CFR 46.215(a)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. This action would have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographical characteristics as historic or cultural resources; parks, recreation, and refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (EO 11990); flood plains (EO 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas (43 CFR 46.215 (b)). | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. This action would have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks (43 CFR 46.215(d)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. This action would establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (e)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. This action would have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (f)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. This action would have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by Reclamation (LND 02-01; and 43 CFR 46.215 (g)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| 9. This action would have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated critical habitat for these species (43 CFR 46.215 (h)).                                                                                        | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. This action would violate a Federal, Tribal, State, or local law or requirement imposed for protection of the environment (43 CFR 46.215 (i)).                                                                                                                                                                                   | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. This action would affect ITAs (512 DM 2, Policy Memorandum dated December 15, 1993).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. This action would have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (EO 12898; and 43 CFR 46.215 (j)).                                                                                                                                                                                     | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. This action would limit access to, and ceremonial use of, Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 13007; 43 CFR 46.215 (k); and 512 DM 3).                                                                      | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. This action would contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act; EO 13112; and 43 CFR 46.215 (l)). | No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Uncertain | <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Regional Archeologist concurred with Item 8 (email attached).

ITA Designee concurred with Item 11 (email attached).

***NEPA Action Recommended***

☒ CEC – This action is covered by the exclusion category and no extraordinary circumstances exist. The action is excluded from further documentation in an EA or EIS.

☐ Further environmental review is required, and the following document should be prepared.

☐ EA

☐ EIS

**Environmental commitments, explanations, and/or remarks:**

Explanation and/or remarks:

Reclamation purchased a 0.24 acre parcel for the construction of the canal side facilities identified as Westside Water District Lateral 10 (L10). L10 was built by Reclamation under the PL 84-130 loan program in 1983. L10 was paid out and the title transferred to the District, for the facilities only, in August 1988.

Reclamation's engineers from MP Regional Office and NCAO have reviewed this request and have no objections





**Sheet Legend**

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| Prepared By:<br>Compass Consulting Incorporated<br>4765 Hlenleyville Road<br>Corning, California 96021<br>Voice (530) 519-3382<br>Fax (530) 824-1031 | Field 68 Pumping Plant Topographic Survey<br>For<br>Peterson Ranch<br>Evans Road Arbuckle, Ca<br>Apr 018-160-069 and 070 | Project No.<br>13-115 | Topographic<br>Sheet 1 of 1 |
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| Drawn By: M.Kinnee | Designed: M.Kinnee | Checked By: C. Evans | Date: April 10, 2013 |
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**Attachment 3.**

9/18/13

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Mail - CR & ITA Review: NCAO CEC WWD Turnout Mod MP90 090913



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**RIVERA, PATRICIA** <privera@usbr.gov>  
To: Paul Zedonis <ppedonis@usbr.gov>

Wed, Sep 18, 2013 at 11:39 AM

Paul,

I reviewed the proposed action to approve Westside Water District's (District) request to modify an existing turnout (Lateral 10) that is used for the diversion of CVP water under Contract No. 14-06-200-8222-LTR1 from the Tehama-Colusa Canal (Canal) at Milepost 90.00L. The proposed action does not have a potential to impact Indian Trust Assets.

The nearest ITS is Cortina Rancheria approximately 5 miles West of the project location.

Patricia Rivera  
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Mid-Pacific Region  
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**Attachment 4**



IN REPLY,  
REFER TO:  
MP-153  
ENV-3.00

**United States Department of the Interior**

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Sacramento, California 95825-1898

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

September 09, 2013

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Paul Zedonis  
Natural Resource Specialist, Northern California Area Office

From: William E. Soule  
Archaeologist, Division of Environmental Affairs

Subject: 13-NCAO-268: Westside Water District (WWD) Upgrade to Existing Turnout Facilities – Tehama-Colusa Canal, Milepost 90.00L

This proposed undertaking by Reclamation is to grant permission to the WWD to modify an existing turnout facility located on the Tehama-Colusa Canal (TCC) at Milepost 90.00L. This is the type of undertaking that does not have the potential to cause effects to historic properties, should such historic properties be present, pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 regulations codified at 36 CFR Part 800.3(a)(1).

WWD is requesting permission from Reclamation to modify an existing turnout (Lateral 10) that is used for the diversion of Central Valley Project (CVP) water, under Contract No. 12.06-200-8222-LTR1, from the Tehama-Colusa Canal at Milepost 90.00L. Modifications would include adding a 16" steel pipe and flange to the existing 32" steel pipe with a new meter in the area that was disturbed by the original turnout installation. The new pipe will be placed underground parallel and adjacent to the existing pipe with the excavated material replaced and re-compacted. These proposed actions are restricted to areas already disturbed by the existing turnout facilities.

After reviewing the materials submitted for a Section 106 compliance assessment, I concur with item 8 in NCAO-CEC-13-28 that this proposed action would not have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by Reclamation. With this determination, Reclamation has no further NHPA Section 106 obligations. This memorandum is intended to convey the completion of the NHPA Section 106 process for this undertaking. Please retain a copy in the administrative record for this action. Should changes be made to this action, additional NHPA Section 106 review, possibly including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, may be necessary. Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment.

CC: Cultural Resources Branch (MP-153), Anastasia Leigh – Regional Environmental Officer (MP-150)

