



January 31, 2017

Dear XX,

The Sites Project Authority (Authority) has released a Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the development of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and has initiated public scoping.

The first step in the environmental review process is the scoping period, which is intended to provide project information and obtain public input regarding the overall scope and content of the environmental analysis for the Sites Project. The scoping process is meant to ensure that the project's potential environmental impacts are identified and evaluated prior to project approval.

Public participation in the environmental review process is important for the Sites Project and is intended to meet California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements. The Authority is currently accepting public comments on the scope of the EIR. **Comments should be received by March 2, 2017.** Written comments can be mailed to:

Scoping Comments Sites Project Authority P.O. Box 517 Maxwell, CA 95955

Comments may also be emailed to: ScopingComments@SitesProject.org.

The public is also invited to attend two Scoping Open House Meetings to get information and submit comments on the scope of the EIR.

Scoping Open House Meetings:

Maxwell: February 16, 2017 Sites Project Authority Office 122 Old Highway 99 West Maxwell, CA 95955 6:00 p.m. Sacramento: February 15, 2017 Sacramento Convention Center 1400 J Street, Room 202 Sacramento, CA 95814 3:00 p.m

Additional information regarding the Sites Project, including the Notice of Preparation, can be viewed online at https://www.sitesproject.org/environmental-review/. A hard copy of the NOP may be requested via email at info@sitesproject.org.

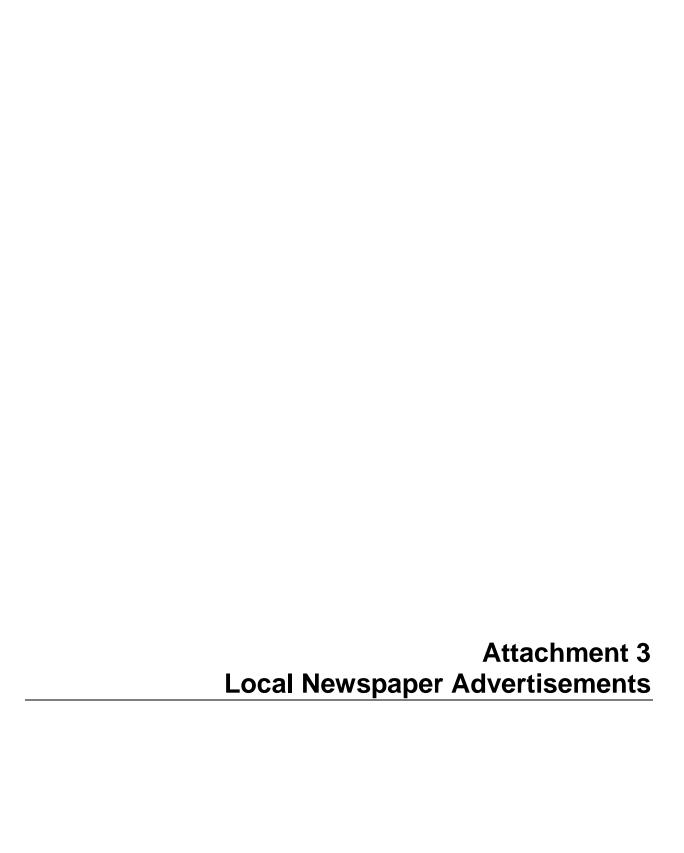
Kevin Spesert is available to help answer any questions you might have about scoping or the project. He is available by phone at (530) 632-4071, via email at kevin.spesert@aecom.com, and for in-person meetings every Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Sites Project office in Maxwell.

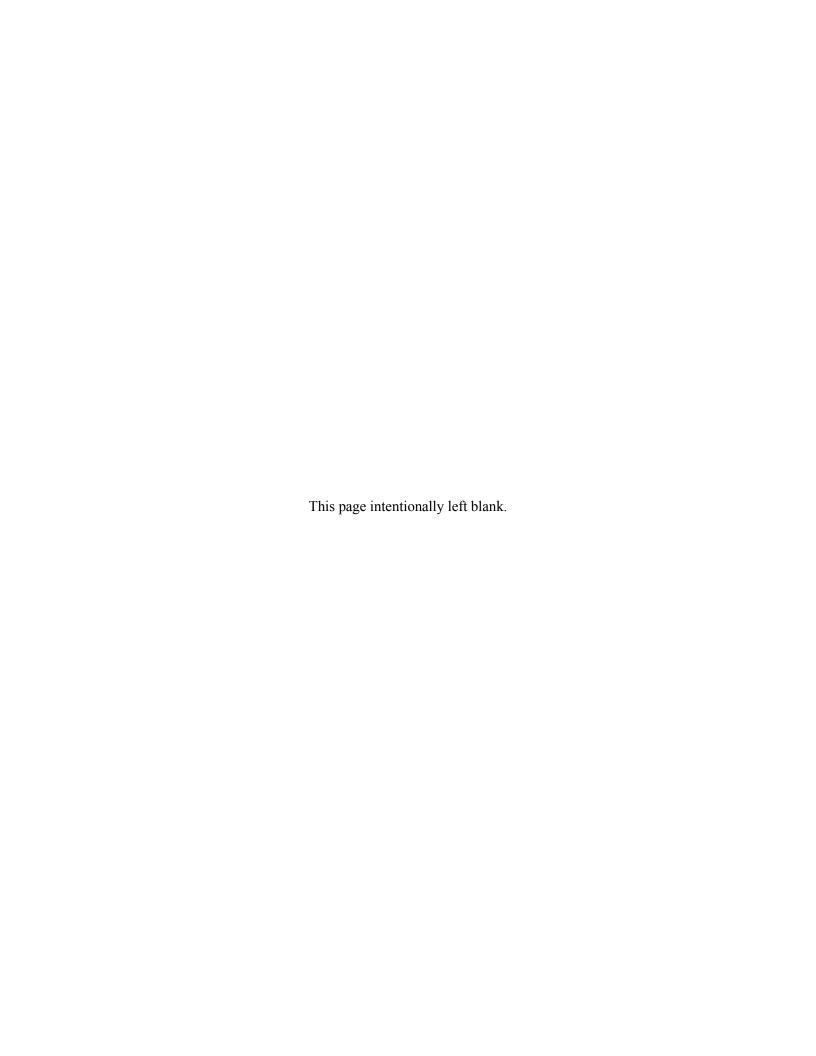
We look forward to your participation in this process.

Sincerely,

Kim Dolbow Vann

Sites Project Authority, Board President





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Sites Reservoir Project: Public Scoping Open House Meetings & Comment Period

The Sites Project Authority (Authority) is developing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to provide the public, state and local agencies, and permitting agencies information about the potential environmental effects associated with construction and operation of Sites Reservoir, a new offstream water storage reservoir and associated facilities proposed near the town of Maxwell, California. The Sites Reservoir Project, in addition to providing other important water storage and operational benefits, is being proposed to greatly increase the reliability of water supplies for a significant portion of the Sacramento Valley and California.

The EIR will be prepared and circulated for public review by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Authority will serve as the lead agency pursuant to CEQA and will consider public comments regarding the scope and content of the information to be included in the EIR. The California Department of Water Resources will serve as a Responsible Agency. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation will serve as the federal lead agency for the proposed project and will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act.

Public participation is a critical part of the environmental review process and is intended to meet CEQA requirements. The Authority welcomes public participation throughout the environmental review process. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the Draft EIR when it is available.

Comments on the scope of the EIR should be received by March 2, 2017.

Written comments can be mailed to: Scoping Comments Sites Project Authority 122 Old Hwy 99W Maxwell, CA 95955

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The Notice of Preparation can be viewed online at www.sitesproject.org.

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JANUARY 31, 2017

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Sacramento, California, on JANUARY 31, 2017

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