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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENSION**

**Basin Management Plan Update EIR**

DATE OF NOTICE: NOVEMBER 21, 2013

**Revised Public Review Period**

By this notice, the Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency (PVWMA), as California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency, is announcing the extension of the public comment period on the **Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Basin Management Plan (BMP) Update EIR (SCH#2000062030)**. The DEIR was released for public review on October 18, 2013.

**The Public Review Period is hereby extended from December 2, 2013 to December 9, 2013.**

**Written comments on the Draft EIR are due by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 2013.**

**Comments should be addressed to:**

Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency, ATTN: Mary Bannister, General Manager, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville, CA 95076, Fax: (831) 722-3139, E-mail: [EIR@pvwater.org](mailto:EIR@pvwater.org).

**Project Description**

The BMP Update covers the geographical jurisdiction of the PVWMA, located in the south Santa Cruz County and includes portions of south Santa Cruz County, north Monterey County, a small area of west San Benito County, and the City of Watsonville. The BMP Update represents a comprehensive set of actions to stop seawater intrusion and overdraft of the Pajaro Valley groundwater basin. The recommended BMP Update consists of the following components to reduce groundwater pumping: Conservation, Increased Recycled Water Storage, Increased Recycled Water Deliveries, Harkins Slough Recharge Facilities Upgrades, Watsonville Slough with Recharge Basins, College Lake with Inland Pipeline to Coastal Distribution System, Murphy Crossing with Recharge.

The Draft EIR identified significant and unavoidable impacts to agricultural resources. The Draft EIR determined that all other significant impacts could be reduced to a less-than-significant level through the incorporation of mitigation or project design features, including the following impact sections: aesthetics; air quality and greenhouse gas; biological resources; cultural resources; energy, utilities and services; geology and soils; hazards and hazardous materials; surface water, groundwater and water quality; noise and vibration; and transportation and traffic.

## **Address Where Copy of Draft EIR is Available for Review:**

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| PVWMA Office*         | Watsonville Main      | Watsonville Freedom |
| 36 Brennan St.        | Branch Library        | Branch Library      |
| Watsonville, CA 95076 | 275 Main St           | 2021 Freedom Blvd   |
|                       | Watsonville, CA 95076 | Freedom, CA 95019   |

\*Reference documents are available for review at this location upon request

The Draft EIR is available in hard copy or CD format for purchase at the PVWMA Office. The Draft EIR is also available on the PVWMA website and can be downloaded at no charge: <http://www.pvwater.org/>.

## **How to Comment on the Draft EIR**

Written comments on the Draft EIR may be submitted anytime during the public review period to the mailing address, fax number, or email address listed below. Please include a name, address, email address, and telephone number of a contact person in your agency for all future correspondence on this subject. To ensure a complete and accurate record, we request that all email and fax comments follow-up with hard copy to the name and address listed below. If you do not wish to send a follow-up hard copy, then please call or send an e-mail requesting confirmation of receipt of comments with enough information to confirm that the entire document was received.

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