

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT / NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
for the Bluff Street Reservoir No. 8 and 9 Project**

This serves as the City of Norco Notice of Intent to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Bluff Street Reservoir Number 8 and 9 Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), State CEQA Guidelines and local implementation procedures.

Name of Project: Bluff Street Reservoir Number 8 and 9 Project

Project Location: The project site is in the western portion of the City of Norco and consists of a 12.75-acre site, assigned Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 121-110-001. The parcel is located at the intersection of River Road and Bluff Street.

Lead Agency: City of Norco, 2870 Clark Avenue, Norco, CA, 92860

Project

Description: The project proposes the construction of a pump station and two storage reservoirs on an existing facility to improve water system reliability and increase delivery capacity. The site would be designed to accommodate a future third water storage reservoir should the City determine a third reservoir is needed. The project would include the addition of two 1,000,000-gallon aboveground storage reservoirs. The reservoirs would be approximately 24 feet high, with an approximate 101-foot diameter. An approximate 17-foot-high dome would cover the reservoir. Other project features include a 2,500 gallon per minute booster pump station with chlorine injection points, accessory structures, and relevant facilities, such as intake sumps, sump drains, overflow drains, pump to waste facilities, and various discharge lines. The project site perimeter would be bounded by wrought iron fencing (and other materials), with a locked security gate at the Bluff Street site access. The project also proposes security lighting controlled by a timer or sensors. Portions of the site would have asphalt paving areas, concrete pad areas, areas covered with decomposed granite, and a water retention basin. Other portions of the site would remain untouched by the proposed project and remain as open space. A 6-foot-wide parkway and a 12-foot-wide equestrian trail easement would be provided along the south side of Bluff Street within the limits of the project's boundary. Conveyance pipeline from the reservoirs would connect to an existing 12-inch pipeline system located in Bluff Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City of Norco proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration addresses a full range of CEQA issues, and has identified potentially significant impacts in the areas of air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, noise, transportation/traffic, tribal cultural resources and mandatory findings of significance for which mitigation measures are proposed to reduce these impacts to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study managed by the City of Norco. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting materials are available on the City's website or a copy can be viewed at the City of Norco Public Works counter, located at 2870 Clark Avenue, Norco, CA 92860. For questions regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration contact:

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TITLE:	Public Works Director	FAX:	(951) 270-5640
ADDRESS:	City of Norco 2870 Clark Avenue Norco, CA 92860		

Public Review Period: *Begins:* November 6, 2018

Ends: December 6, 2018

Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration is scheduled to take place in December 2018.

In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines for implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, any comments concerning the findings of the proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and **received by the City of Norco no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 6, 2018**, in order to be considered prior to the City's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period. Please mail or fax your written comments to Mr. Chad Blais, City of Norco, 2870 Clark Avenue, Norco, CA 92860.