

DATE: **November 1, 2019**

TO: Distribution List of Responsible Agencies and Interested Parties

PROJECT CASE NO./TITLE: 3869/Bell Gardens Water Reservoir

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project site is located at **6607-6673 Florence Place and 6937-6951 Emil Avenue** in the City of Bell Gardens. The Project site is bounded on the north by Bell Gardens Park, on the south by Florence Place, on the east by Emil Avenue, and on the west by Perry Road.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The City of Bell Gardens is intending to construct above-ground site improvements to its Well No. 1 Facility within a rectangular property bordered by Florence Place to the south, Perry Road to the west, and Emil Avenue to the east. The improvements would add a new pump station, above ground tank, and new building containing associated equipment for the existing Well No. 1 that is located at the northeast corner of Perry Road and Florence Place. The new pump station, tank, and equipment room would be located within one of three potential locations, referred to in this document as Subarea A, Subarea B, and Subarea C (reference Exhibit 1 – Project Area Map).

Subarea A – Subarea A is a building pad 14,480 square feet in area that is approximately 125 feet west of the northwest corner of the Emil Avenue/Florence Place intersection and approximately 25 feet north of Florence Place. Subarea A would contain a 2-million-gallon steel circular tank that would have a diameter of 120 feet and extend to a height of 24 feet. This Subarea also would contain a 25-foot by 60-foot building pad for a pump station and surge tank abutting the existing Well No. 1 (reference Exhibit 2 – City of Bell Gardens – Alternative 3A). This Subarea is immediately east of the existing Skate Park.

Subarea B – Subarea B is a building pad immediately abutting Existing Well No. 1 to the east. This Subarea would contain a 1.41-million-gallon circular concrete tank that would be 100 feet in diameter and extend to a height of 24 feet. Subarea B would encompass 12,400 square feet. A 25-foot by 60-foot building pad abutting the existing Well No. 1 location would contain a pump station and a surge tank. This Subarea is between the existing Well No. 1 site and the existing Skate Park to the east (reference Exhibit 3 – City of Bell Gardens – Alternative 3B).

Subarea C – Subarea C is a rectangular building pad in the same location as Subarea B. The rectangular tank would accommodate 1.48 million gallons within 9,900 square feet and would extend to a height of 24 feet. A 25-foot by 60-foot building pad abutting the Existing Well No. 1 location would contain a pump station and a surge tank (reference Exhibit 4 – City of Bell Gardens – Alternative 3C).

LEAD AGENCY AND PROJECT SPONSOR:

City of Bell Gardens Public Works Department 7100 Garfield Avenue Bell Gardens, CA 90201 Attn: Chau Vu, Director Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, notice is given to responsible and interested agencies that the City of Bell Gardens Public Works Department plans to oversee preparation of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the above-described project. The purpose of this notice is to solicit guidance from your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the MND. Information in that regard should be submitted to this office as soon as possible, but not later than thirty (30) days after receiving this notice.

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING:

A SCOPING SESSION has been scheduled before the CITY OF BELL GARDENS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT to bring together and resolve concerns of affected federal, State and local agencies, the proponent of the proposed project, and other interested persons; as well as to inform the public of the nature and extent of the proposed project indicated below, and to provide an opportunity to identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in depth in the MND and help eliminate from detailed study issues found not to be important.

The Scoping Session is not a public hearing on the merit of the proposed project and NO DECISION on the project will be made. Public testimony is limited to identifying issues regarding the project and potential environmental impacts. The project proponent will not be required to provide an immediate response to any concerns raised. The project proponent will be requested to address any concerns expressed at the Scoping Session, through revisions to the proposed project and/or completion of a Mitigated Negative Declaration, prior to the formal public hearing on the proposed project. Mailed notice of the public hearing will be provided to anyone requesting such notification.

TIME OF SCOPING SESSION: 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

DATE OF SCOPING SESSION: Tuesday, November 19, 2019

PLACE OF SCOPING SESSION: Ross Hall at Bell Gardens Veterans Park

6662 Loveland Street, Bell Gardens, CA, 90201

Please send written correspondence to:

City of Bell Gardens Public Works Department Attn: Chau L. Vu, Director of Public Works 8327 Garfield Avenue Bell Gardens, CA 90201

If you have any questions please contact Luis Rodriguez, Project Manager at <u>Irodriguez@infengr.com</u> or at (714) 940-0100.

Sincerely,

CITY OF BELL GARDENS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT Chau L. Vu, Director of Public Works