



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF THE
DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE
OTAY WATER DISTRICT VISTA VEREDA AND HIDDEN MESA ROAD WATER LINE
REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Notice is hereby given that the Draft Negative Declaration (Draft ND) for the proposed Vista Vereda and Hidden Mesa Road Water Line Replacement Project is available for public review and comment. The Otay Water District (District) is the Lead Agency for this Draft ND. Copies of the Draft ND are available for public review at the Otay Water District, 2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd., Spring Valley, CA 91978 and on the District's website, www.otaywater.gov at About Us / News and Documents / Publications. Written comments on the Draft ND may be submitted to the District beginning on August 2, 2018 until August 21, 2018 to Lisa.Coburn-Boyd@otaywater.gov or by mail to the following address:

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Vista Vereda and Hidden Mesa Road Water Line Replacement project proposes the replacement of approximately 1,800 linear feet of existing 12-inch water main adjacent to Vista Vereda Road and approximately 3,000 linear feet of an existing 12-inch water main in Hidden Mesa Road in the Hillsdale area of San Diego County. The goals of the replacement project are to maintain the transmission network, provide a distribution service to the Vista Vereda area while simultaneously improving the access and minimizing the risk associated with damage to private properties during routine maintenance, or emergency repairs within the system. The District proposes to transfer the transmission capability of the pipeline that currently exists in Vista Vereda Road to a new 12-inch pipeline in Hidden Mesa Road. A new water line would be constructed in Vista Vereda Road with service laterals to any residential lots that are not adjacent to Vista Vereda. The majority of the Vista Vereda pipeline would be 12 and 8-inch in diameter, but there would also be segments of 4-inch, 2-inch and 1-inch diameter pipe. The 12, 8 and 4-inch pipeline segments would be poly vinyl chloride (PVC) piping and the 2 and 1-inch segments would be copper piping. The existing waterline in Vista Vereda would be abandoned in place. The existing asbestos cement pipeline (ACP) in Hidden Mesa Road would be removed and replaced with a 12-inch PVC pipeline. The proposed water pipelines would be installed by open trench construction.

