



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

To: California Office of Planning and Research, Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Los Angeles County Clerk, Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library, Other Interested Parties

From: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Environmental Planning Section
700 North Alameda Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report and Notice of Public Meeting for the Garvey Reservoir Rehabilitation Project (SCH No. 2024010394)

Review Period: June 12, 2024 to July 29, 2024

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Garvey Reservoir Rehabilitation Project (proposed Project) (SCH No. 2024010394). The Notice of Availability (NOA) is being sent to responsible, trustee, and other public agencies, as well as interested organizations and individuals, as part of the review process required under CEQA (Sections 21091 and 21092 of the Public Resources Code).

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed Project is located at the Garvey Reservoir, an approximately 142-acre property at 1061 South Orange Avenue in Monterey Park, California. The Project site is surrounded by residential neighborhoods to the west, north, south, and east; Hillcrest Elementary School to the east; the Monterey Park City Yard to the north; and Garvey Ranch Park to the north. The Project site is owned by Metropolitan and is developed with the Garvey Reservoir in the central portion of the site along with appurtenant structures and features and paved roadways, power lines, mature trees, and landscaping throughout the Project site. Refer to the attached figure of the project location. The proposed Project is not located on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code (hazardous waste).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed Project consists of rehabilitation/replacement of the reservoir cover and liner, inlet/outlet tower, junction structure, facility electrical system, standby generator, surge tank telemetry, and Administration Building and Water Quality Laboratory; construction of a new pump station; and miscellaneous site upgrades. Project construction activities would occur in three main phases. Both Phase 1 and Phase 2 would occur between approximately September 2025 and December 2027. Phase 3 would occur from approximately January 2034 to June 2035. Operations and maintenance activities at the Garvey Reservoir, including the frequency of staff visits, monthly testing of the standby generator, and water usage in the Administration Building and Water Quality Laboratory, would remain similar to existing conditions once construction activities are completed.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS: The Draft EIR includes an analysis of Project impacts to Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, Transportation, and Tribal Cultural Resources as well as feasible mitigation measures and a reasonable range of alternatives to avoid or reduce potentially significant impacts, if any. The Draft EIR identifies potentially significant impacts for Air Quality with proposed mitigation measures. Impacts related to Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, Transportation, and Tribal Cultural Resources were found to be less than significant. For all other environmental resource areas where it is determined that the proposed Project would result in a less than significant impact (i.e., Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Utilities and Service Systems, and Wildfire), the analysis is presented in the Initial Study included as Appendix A to the Draft EIR.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD:

Per State CEQA Guidelines Section 15087 and Section 21091 of the Public Resources Code, Metropolitan requests written comments on the Draft EIR be received no later than July 29, 2024 to the mailing address or email address shown below. Comments should include the name, mailing address, telephone number, and/or email address, if available, of a contact person.

To ensure public access to the Draft EIR, a copy of the Draft EIR is available online on Metropolitan’s website at <https://www.mwdh2o.com/projects-in-your-community/ceqa/> or via the QR code. Printed copies of the public notice, Draft EIR, and documents incorporated by reference are available for review at Metropolitan headquarters. The Draft EIR is also available for review at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library at 318 South Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, California 91754 during normal operating hours. Please contact Michelle Morrison by email at MMorrison@mwdh2o.com to make arrangements for viewing the Draft EIR at Metropolitan headquarters or for any questions.



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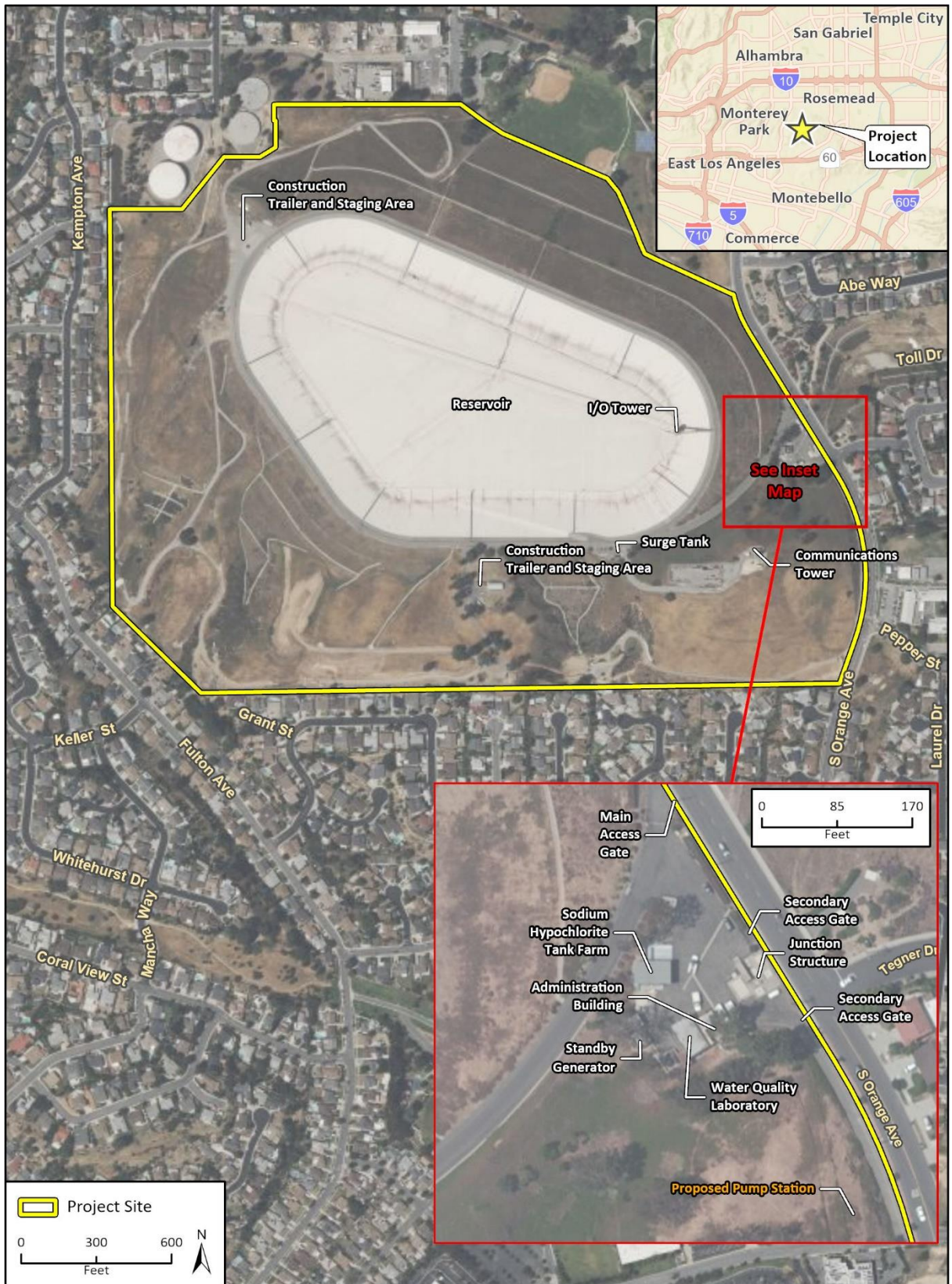
Additionally, the proposed Project and Draft EIR will be presented at the Monterey Park City Council meeting currently scheduled for June 18, 2024 at the Monterey Park City Hall.

City Council Meeting: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
Monterey Park City Hall
320 West Newmark Avenue
Monterey Park, California 91754

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Date: 05-28-2024

Figure 1 Project Location



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Fig 2-3 Existing Site Facilities w/Regional Inset