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Public Notice for the Unites States Environmental Protection Agency

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 intends to award a grant to the City of El Monte in accordance with the in accordance with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of FY2009 for the Garvey Storm Drain Reconstruction Project.

EPA Region 9's authorization to use grant funds for the proposed design project is a federal action requiring compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 USC §§4321- 4370f. In accordance with NEPA, Council of Environmental Quality Regulations at 40 CFR §§1500.1–1508.28, and EPA NEPA regulations at 40 CFR Part 6, EPA Region 9 has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) describing the potential environmental impacts associated with, and the alternatives to, the proposed project. This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) documents EPA Region 9's decision that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

The City of El Monte proposes to construct two new storm drain lines and upgrade the existing pump station to minimize flooding at the Garvey Avenue underpass. The new storm drain lines would convey the outflow from the new pump station to a new outfall on the San Gabriel River, divert some stormwater away from the underpass, and connect to an existing Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) storm drain (Durfee storm drain). The existing pump station and pumps would be replaced with a larger capacity pump station and pumps.

Any comments regarding the findings of the EA and FONSI may be submitted in writing no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this notice. Comments should be sent to Howard Kahan, EPA Region 9, Tribal Water Office (WTR-3-4), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94015-3901 or by e-mail at kahan.howard@epa.gov. EPA will fully consider and respond to any substantive comments before taking final action.

The EA and draft FONSI will be posted on the EPA website at: https://www.epa.gov/ca/city-el-monte-stormwater-system-improvement-project-fonsi-and-ea

To obtain additional information about the project, please contact Howard Kahan by email at kahan.howard@epa.gov or by calling (415) 972-3143.