

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that The City of Lodi, Community Development Department, has completed an initial study and proposed negative declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for the project described below.

The initial study prepared by the City was undertaken for the purpose of determining whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of the initial study, Community Development Department staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment due to the imposition of several mitigation measures (see attached), and therefore has prepared a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. The initial study reflects the independent judgment of the City.

**File Number:** 07-01

**Project Title:** The City of Lodi White Slough Water Pollution Control facility (WPCF) Phase 3 Improvement Project 2007 Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

**Project Description:** The White Slough Water Pollution Control facility (WPCF) is located in a primarily agricultural area adjacent to Interstate 5, approximately 6.5 miles west-southwest of the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, CA. The proposed White WPCF Phase 3 Improvements Project 2007 is intended to comply with the current and anticipated Water Discharge Requirements (WDRs) issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB); to site and operate new facilities to minimize adverse environmental effect; to maximize operational flexibility, reliability, efficiency and safety; and to achieve the above objectives in a cost-effective manner that limits system capital costs, operation and maintenance costs, and user rates to the extent possible. Construction for the proposed project is expected to take approximately 21 months, and begin in June 2007 and be completed by February 2008. On a daily basis construction would typically take place during weekdays usually between the hours of 6:00 am and 5:00 pm. The WPCF is expected to be fully operational during construction. Construction work for the proposed project would be performed by a contractor(s) selected by the City of Lodi. Types of construction activity typically involved with the proposed project would include earthwork, structural steel and reinforced concrete work, electrical/instrumentation work, and installation of mechanical equipment and piping.

Copies of the Initial Study and the proposed Negative Declaration are on file and available for review at the following locations: 1) Lodi City Hall, Community Development Department located at 221 West Pine Street, Lodi, CA 95240; 2) Lodi Public Library, 201 West Locust Street, Lodi, CA 95240; and 3) City of Lodi website at [www.lodi.gov](http://www.lodi.gov). The City will receive comment on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for a 30-day period, commencing on Tuesday January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 through Thursday, March 1, 2007. Any person wishing to comment on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must submit such comments in writing to the City of Lodi at the following address:

Randy Hatch, Director of Community Development  
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City of Lodi  
P. O. Box 3006  
Lodi, CA 95241

The City Council is scheduled to consider approval of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration at a public meeting held on March 21, 2007 starting at 7:00 pm or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered at Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

Randy Hatch, Director of Community Development  
January 30, 2007.