



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Brentwood will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the normal course of business permits on August 9, 2016, to consider the following matter:

PROJECT TITLE: City of Brentwood Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase II Expansion Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The Proposed Project is located in the city of Brentwood, Contra Costa County. Construction activities for the Proposed Project would occur at the Brentwood Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) at 2201 Elkins Way, Brentwood, California.

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Brentwood, Public Works Department

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Brentwood (City) is proposing to construct a modular expansion of the city's WWTP to increase the treatment capacity from the current 5 million gallons per day (MGD) to 7.5 MGD to accommodate population growth projected in the City's General Plan. Construction activities for the Proposed Project would occur on about 4 acres within the boundaries of the WWTP, with construction scheduled to begin in 2017 and occurring over a period of approximately 24 months. The project would involve construction of additional treatment unit processes consisting of an oxidation ditch or rectangular reactor, secondary clarifier, biosolids handling (belt filter presses or centrifuges), media filters, and shop addition. Optional facilities include a new solids dryer system fueled by natural gas for production of Class A biosolids, and disinfection improvements (i.e., conversion to ultraviolet light, or other process modification). If the solids dryer is implemented, the City would consider additional biosolids disposal methods such as land application.

The project would increase recycled water production for landscape irrigation; however, the project would not include construction of additional recycled water distribution facilities at this time. The increased use of recycled water would result in low effluent discharge rates to Marsh Creek during the irrigation period (i.e., May through August) and increased effluent discharge in the low irrigation period.

SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT: None, with the mitigation measures identified in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, an Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared in order to assess potential environmental impacts of implementing the project. The Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at the City's Public Works-Engineering office located at 150 City Park Way, Brentwood, California and on the City's website at: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/cd/planning/ceqa.asp>

The Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review and comment for 30 days beginning on May 20, 2016, and ending on June 20, 2016. The deadline for submission of written comments ends at 5:00 pm on June 20, 2016.

Comments on the Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration may be made to the City in writing at any time during the review period, or verbally during said public hearing. Written, E-mail or faxed comments should be addressed to:

Mr. Jagtar Dhaliwal, Assistant Director Public Works-Engineering
150 City Park Way, Brentwood, California, 94513
Email: dept-pubwork@brentwoodca.gov
FAX: (925) 516-5128

NOTE: If there is substantial evidence presented in light of the whole record before the City that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, an EIR shall be prepared. Argument, speculation, unsubstantiated opinion, or narrative evidence that is clearly inaccurate or erroneous, or evidence of social or economic impacts that do not contribute to, or are not caused by, physical impacts on the environment, is not substantial evidence. Substantial evidence shall include facts, reasonable assumptions predicated upon facts, and expert opinions supported by facts.

PUBLIC HEARING: The August 9, 2016 public hearing will be held at the City Council Chambers, 150 City Park Way, Brentwood, California, 94513. Final adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be considered by the City Council at the public hearing. Further information may be obtained from the Assistant Director of Public Works-Engineering, Mr. Jagtar Dhaliwal, (925) 516-5420 or jdhaliwal@brentwoodca.gov.

If you challenge the City Council's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Brentwood City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

