



NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN EIR AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Calleguas Municipal Water District (“Calleguas”) is preparing a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for the Calleguas Regional Salinity Management Pipeline, Phases 3 and 4 (herein referred to as the “project”). The public and other interested parties are invited to attend a public scoping meeting on **March 2nd, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.** to comment on environmental issues that should be addressed in the Draft SEIR.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (14 Calif. Code of Regs., §15000 et seq.), this notice contains a brief description of the project and its location, the anticipated environmental effects of the project, the period during which scoping comments will be received, the time and location of the public scoping meeting, and details on the availability of an Initial Study prepared for the project.

Project Title: Calleguas Regional Salinity Management Pipeline, Phases 3 and 4

Project Location: The proposed pipeline alignments would be located in Ventura County, extending approximately 14.4 miles from near the northeast boundary of the City of Camarillo to the western boundary of the City of Simi Valley. The alignments would traverse portions of Camarillo, Moorpark, Thousand Oaks, and Simi Valley, as well as unincorporated Ventura County. Pipeline alignments would primarily be located within the public right-of-way within paved roads and dirt shoulders. A portion of the alignment would extend under private property at the northeast corner of the intersection of Las Posas Road and Upland Road, which is currently developed for agricultural production. Roadways along the project alignments include Upland Road, Santa Rosa Road, Moorpark Road, Read Road, Sunset Valley Road, and Tierra Rejada Road. Each of these roads would provide access to the project alignment during construction activities. Regional access would be provided by State Route 118, State Route 23, State Route 34, and U.S. 101.

Figure 1 shows the alignments of both phases of the proposed project.

Project Background: The Calleguas Regional Salinity Management Pipeline (CRSMP) is a brine and treated wastewater conveyance pipeline designed to manage the use of high salinity groundwater and treated municipal wastewater, dispose of the brine produced by enhanced water treatment, and facilitate the development of water sources otherwise unavailable due to poor water quality. The CRSMP was assessed programmatically in a 2002 Final Program EIR which provided CEQA clearance for the overall CRSMP and project-specific clearance for Phase 1. Additional CEQA documentation prepared since 2002 covered changes to the original design and implementation of Phase 2. The CRSMP, currently in operation, extends approximately 22 miles from its upstream end in Camarillo to its downstream terminus at the permitted ocean outfall in Port Hueneme.

Brief Project Description: The proposed project would extend the CRSMP approximately 14 miles inland from the existing eastern terminus, enabling connections to additional dischargers in Simi Valley and unincorporated Ventura County. Discharges from these phases, as well as previously constructed phases, would intermingle and combine to create the effluent discharged through the existing ocean outfall. Dischargers connecting to Phases 3 and 4 would be subject to existing discharge permit constituent limits at the outfall. Any new infrastructure needed to connect specific dischargers to the CRSMP would be subject to separate CEQA review.

The majority of the pipeline would be installed via conventional open-cut trench construction methods. Trenchless construction methods would be used to cross below existing drainage channels. Trenchless

construction methods would also be used to cross Somis Road, Santa Rosa Road, and busy intersections to minimize traffic impacts.

Initial Study: An Initial Study was prepared for the project and is available for public review at: <https://www.calleguas.com/documents-and-reports/>. If a hard copy or electronic review copy is required, please contact Jennifer Lancaster at the email address provided below.

Based on the conclusions of the Initial Study, the following areas of potentially significant environmental impact are anticipated to require analysis in the Draft SEIR:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology/Soils (Paleontological Resources)
- Noise
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources

The EIR will also analyze alternatives, cumulative impacts, growth-inducing impacts, and other issues required by CEQA.

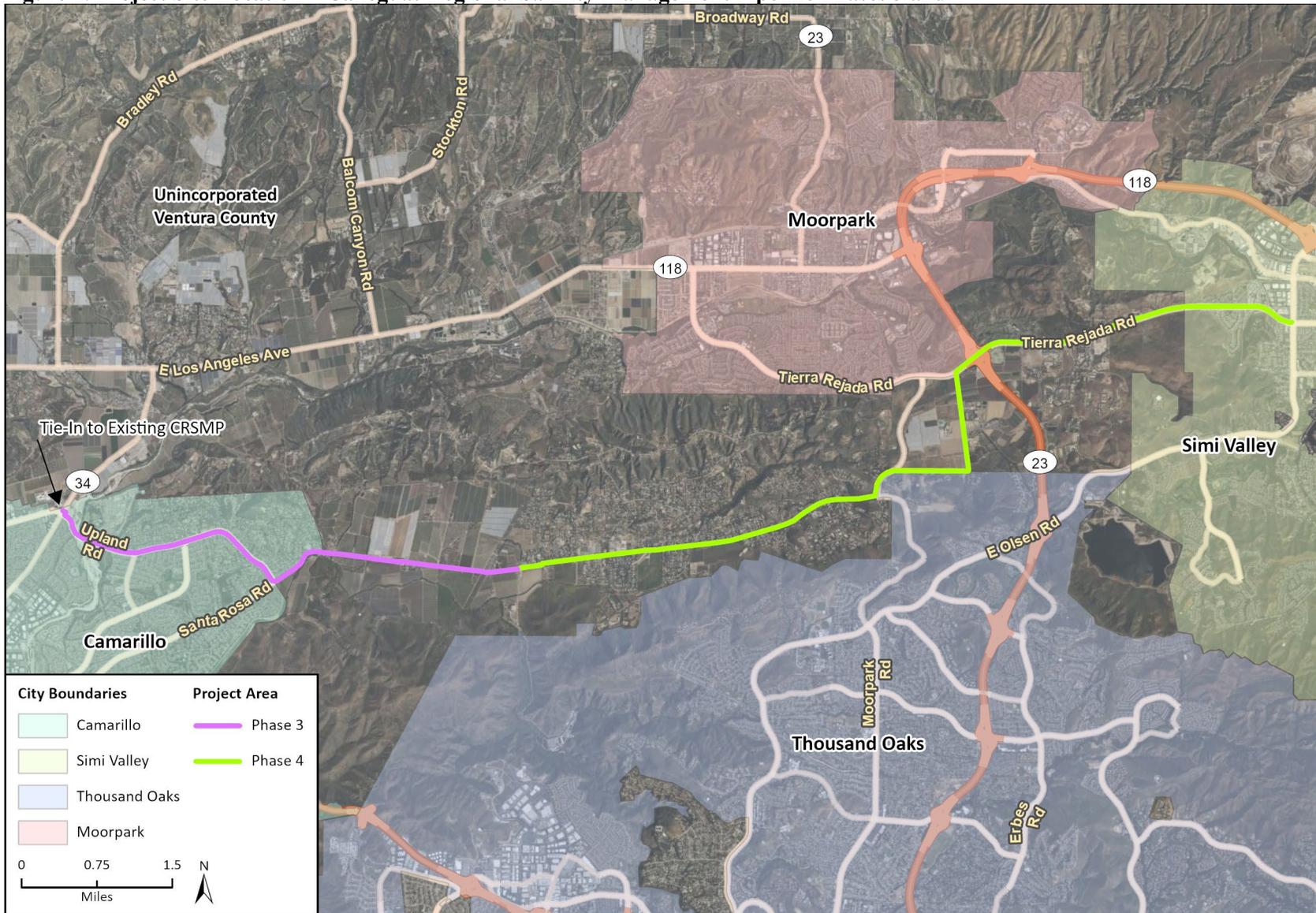
Public Scoping Meeting: The purpose of the scoping meeting is to present the project in a public setting and provide an opportunity for a full airing of the environmental issues that are important to the community. The meeting will include a presentation of the proposed project and a description of the environmental issues to be analyzed in the Draft SEIR. Oral and written comments made during the scoping meeting and scoping period will provide an inventory of potential environmental effects of the project to be addressed by the Draft SEIR. The scoping meeting will be held in person on **March 2nd, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.** at Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School at 13282 Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, CA 93012.

30-Day Scoping Comment Period: This NOP is available for a 30-day public comment period from **February 21, 2023 to March 23, 2023**. Written comments must be submitted in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 23, 2023.

Contact Person: Written comments may be submitted to Jennifer Lancaster, Principal Resource Specialist, via email: jlancaster@calleguas.com.



Figure 1. Project Site Location – Calleguas Regional Salinity Management Pipeline Phases 3 and 4



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 Fig 2.2 Project Location