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CITY OF CHICO - NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT **A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

DATE: May 31, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Chico Community Development Director intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project described below. The project will be approved administratively unless referred to the City Council for action.

P-18 Sewer Trunkline Project (Capital Project No. 50424) – The Project would install a sewer trunkline mainly in the unincorporated area outside the southern City limits. The trunkline would service the majority of the Honey Run/Doe Mill Special Planning Area, South Entler Special Planning Area, and commercial and industrial uses in the area, as identified in the Chico 2030 General Plan and the 2013 Sanitary Sewer Master Plan. The proposed trunkline pipe diameter would range from 1.25-2.25 feet, the trench width would be 6-feet-wide, with total easements 40-feet wide. The trunkline would extend approximately 2.85 miles easterly starting from the existing P-17A sewer trunkline located near the intersection of Hegan Lane and the Comanche Creek Greenway bike path. From the connection point, the trunkline would cross Hegan Lane and travel under the Class I bike lane located immediately east of the northbound lane of Midway to Entler Avenue. The trunkline would continue east along Entler Avenue, then continue south along Entler Avenue for approximately 530 feet before crossing underneath SR 99 and extending along the former UPRR right of way for approximately 630 feet. The trunkline then shifts north along a City easement, continues through Cramer Lane and heads east at Morrow Lane. At the eastern terminus of Morrow Lane, the City proposes to install a manhole at the south end of an existing 36-inch culvert and connect a 40 foot long pipe in the existing drainage ditch to provide vehicular construction access to the P-18 Sewer Trunkline Project, and to facilitate future maintenance access to the easterly manholes located on the south side of Skyway. The Project would continue along the southside of Skyway just past the Potter Road intersection and terminate 191 feet east of a manhole on the south side of Skyway.

An Initial Study for environmental review has been prepared for the project. Based upon the information within the Initial Study, the Public Works – Engineering Department is recommending that a Mitigated Negative Declaration be adopted for the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A Mitigated Negative Declaration is a determination that a project will not have a significant impact on the environment after the incorporation of specific mitigation measures. A 30-day public review period is being conducted on the Draft Initial Study / Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) commencing on **Friday, May 31, 2024, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 1, 2024**. The document and all applicable technical appendices may be reviewed at the City's website at: <https://chico.ca.us/Departments/Engineering/Capital-Projects/P-18-Sewer-Trunkline/index.html>. *Comments and questions relating to environmental concerns and the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must be filed in writing to the City of Chico Public Works - Engineering Department, P.O. Box 3420, Chico, CA 95927 or sent via email to tracy.bettencourt@chicoca.gov during the designated time period.*

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