TO: MEG WILLIAMSON, ACTING CITY MANAGER

FROM: WARREN FRACE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: NACIMIENTO WATER PROJECT - PASO ROBLES RESERVE WATER FULL

ALLOCATION - DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

DATE: JANUARY 19, 2016

NEEDS: In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this is a request for the City Council to consider adopting a Negative Declaration for the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation and approve and accept the City's full allocation

of Reserve Water

FACTS: 1. Since 2004, the City of Paso Robles has held a 4,000 acre-foot per year (AFY) entitlement in Lake Nacimiento.

2. Total delivery entitlement secured by Paso Robles and other project participants now totals 9,655 AFY, leaving 6,095 AFY available as "Reserve Water".

- 3. In September 2015, Paso Robles joined other participants in applying for an additional delivery entitlement in accordance with applicable provisions of the Nacimiento Project Water Delivery Entitlement Contract (Attachment 1).
- 4. Subsequently, County Service Area 10A plus two other entities joined in the entitlement allocation.
- 5. The action would proportionally distribute Reserve Water as an "additional delivery entitlement share" among participants.
- 6. No additions or expansion to the water delivery system are proposed, and no operational changes would result from this action. Additionally, no new or amended permits are associated with this action.
- 7. Pursuant to CEQA, the City prepared an environmental analysis on the potential implications of this action which determined that no potential environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of the additional water delivery entitlement. A Draft Negative Declaration was prepared and circulated for a 30-day public review period, which commenced on December 4, 2015 and ended on January 4, 2016. No comments were received on the draft Negative Declaration. The draft Negative Declaration is provided in Attachment A.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS

The San Luis Obispo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (herein referred to as the "District"), is entitled to no less than 17,500 acre feet of water per year (AFY) from Lake Nacimiento. A portion of that water is held for lakeside uses (e.g. 1,750 AFY), leaving 15,750 AFY available for use in other areas of San Luis Obispo County.

The City of Paso Robles, along with four other agency participants, currently holds entitlement to a combined 9,655 AFY of water. This leaves 6,095 AFY of "Reserve Water" that is not yet contractually committed. The Nacimiento Water Project infrastructure has an existing capacity to deliver the full 15,750 AFY.

The proposed project or "action" of the City of Paso Robles is to accept its proportionate share of "reserve water," thereby fully allocating the Nacimiento "Reserve Water".

The District adopted a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the Nacimiento Water Project (NWP) in 2003. The FEIR evaluated all potential environmental effects that could result from construction of the facilities to deliver water from the NWP to Paso Robles and to other areas in the County. It also included an analysis of water supply and delivery to 15 agencies, as well as transport of "Reserve Water." Presently, only five agencies (including the City of Paso Robles) hold entitlement for delivery of water from the NWP and the terms of the delivery entitlement contract are such that those agencies may apply for additional delivery entitlement.

Proposed Reserve Water Full Allocation

	Current Delivery Entitlement	Proposed Share of Reserve Water	Total at Full Allocation
Water Allocation Participant	(AFY)	(AFY)	(AFY)
City of Paso Robles	4,000	2,488	6,488
City of San Luis Obispo	3,380	2,102	5,482
Atascadero Mutual Water Company	2,000	1,244	3,244
Templeton Community Services District	250	156	406
County Service Area 10A (Cayucos)	25	15	40
Bella Vista MHP (Cayucos)	0	10	10
Santa Margarita Ranch MWC	0	80	80
Reserve Water	6,095	0	0
Total	15,750	6,095	15,750

The City of Paso Robles prepared the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) consistent with the buildout assumptions of the City's 2003 General Plan. As identified in the UWMP, the City anticipated acquiring an additional 1,400 AFY by 2020, bringing its total entitlement share up to 5,400 AFY. The UWMP specifically notes that "Use of Nacimiento water will reduce groundwater pumping and provide additional high quality water sources for City residents." The UWMP states additional NWP water, "...would allow the City to stabilize future basin well pumping"

The UWMP also stated that commitment of the remaining water supply (e.g. Reserve Water), is being considered by the City and other agencies. The assumptions and analysis of the UWMP support the City's request for full allocation of its share of the remaining Reserve Water.

The amount of water proposed to be allocated to Paso Robles would be 1,088 AFY more than identified in the City's 2010 UWMP. Consistent with the UWMP, the additional allocation would be used to:

- Increase reliability of water supplies
- Reduce demand on Paso Robles groundwater basin wells
- Augment summertime peak demands
- Response to a water rights challenge
- Provide for emergencies, including, water quality event, or well failure, etc.
- Address impacts of prolonged drought / climate change.

No change to the City's adopted General Plan, buildout assumptions or other land use modifications are proposed to accompany the Reserve Water Full Allocation.

With respect to the potential for growth-inducing impacts of water available to Paso Robles from the NWP, the NWP FEIR states, "Growth-inducing impacts of the City of Paso Robles would not be significant because there is a considerable projected water deficit (emphasis added) which would be a factor that would slow growth in this area." The FEIR also states, "Where water project supplies are in excess of water demand and are not used to reduce projected groundwater overdraft, then the potential growth-inducing impacts become more adverse and significant." Any additional water available to Paso Robles through full allocation would be in excess of demand for development allowed under General Plan build-out. Consequently, Reserve Water would be used for the non-development objectives listed above. Therefore, full allocation of Reserve Water available through this project action would not be growth inducing.

The City's water treatment plant, which is now operational, treats Nacimiento Water Project water to offset groundwater production and improve water quality. Due to treatment plant capacity limitations, additional Nacimiento Water Project water will either not be transported to the plant or it will be released into the Salinas River underflow to recharge the aquifer and sustain pumping from the City's river wells.

No additions or expansion to the water delivery system are proposed as part of this action.

No operational changes are proposed with delivery of additional water allocation that would result in increased traffic, emissions, or other water delivery system-related operational effects.

No new or amended permits are associated with this project action. As noted on the map provided in Attachment 2, the water delivery system network alignment of the existing NWP facilities, including the City's turnout, "T-2", would not require any physical changes to accommodate water delivery from the change in water allocation.

POLICY

REFERENCE:

Paso Robles General Plan, Paso Robles Urban Water Management Plan, California Environmental Quality Act

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IMPACT:

The City has been paying a proportional share of the Reserved Capacity costs such that the additional 2,488 AFY allocation would require no additional capital cost. Also, because two new participants are buying into the NWP (Bella Vista Mobile Home Park and Santa Margarita Ranch Mutual Water Company), the City's annual cost share will be reduced.

OPTIONS:

After consideration of the staff report, public record, and all public testimony, the City Council may wish to consider the following options:

- a. Adopt Resolution 16-XXX Certifying the Negative Declaration for the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation and Approving and Accepting the City's Reserve Water Full Allocation; or
- b. Refer the project back to staff for additional analysis; or
- c. Amend, modify or reject the above noted options.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution No. 16-XXX Certifying the Negative Declaration for the Nacimiento Water Project Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation and Approving and Accepting the City's Reserve Water Full Allocation
- Letter dated September 16, 2015, from City of El Paso de Robles and Other Participants to Wade Horton, County Director of Public Works regarding Application for Acquisition of Additional Delivery Entitlement
- 3. Draft Initial Study Negative Declaration
- 4. Nacimiento Water Project Report "Unit Map"

RESOLUTION NO: 16-xxx

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE NACIMIENTO WATER PROJECT – PASO ROBLES RESERVE WATER FULL ALLOCATION AND APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE CITY'S RESERVE WATER FULL ALLOCATION

WHEREAS, the City of Paso Robles joined other participants in applying for an additional delivery entitlement in accordance with applicable provisions of the Nacimiento Project Water Delivery Entitlement Contract; and

WHEREAS, the action would proportionally distribute reserve water as an "additional delivery entitlement share" among participants; and

WHEREAS, no additions or expansion to the water delivery system are proposed, and no operational changes would result from this action. Additionally, no new or amended permits are associated with this action; and

WHEREAS, an Initial Study was prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to evaluate whether this project would result in environmental impacts, specifically including any "growth inducing" impacts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the CEQA and its implementing Guidelines, as well as the City's Procedures for Implementing CEQA, an Initial Study and Draft Negative Declaration was prepared and circulated for a 30-day public review and comment period, which commenced on December 4, 2015 and ended on January 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, no public comments or responses were received in regard to the Draft Negative Declaration and Initial Study prepared for this project; and

WHEREAS, Public Notice of the proposed Draft Negative Declaration was posted as required by Section 21092 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted by the City Council on January 19, 2016, to consider the Initial Study and the proposed Negative Declaration prepared for the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation project, and to accept public testimony on the project and environmental determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based on the information and analysis contained in the Initial Study prepared for this project, the comments received and testimony presented at the public hearing, the City Council finds that there is no substantial evidence that there would be a significant impact on the environment as a result of implementation of the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation.

<u>Section 2.</u> The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, based on its independent judgment does hereby adopt a Negative Declaration for the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full

Allocation project in accordance with the Statutes and Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City's Procedures for Implementing CEQA.

<u>Section 3.</u> The City Council hereby approves the Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation for the full allocation of the City's proportionate share of the Reserve Water to the City.

Section 4. The City Clerk is directed to file a Notice of Determination with the Clerk of the County of San Luis Obispo in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th day of January, 2016, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
ATTEST:	STEVE MARTIN, MAYOR
KRISTY BUXKEMPER, DEPUTY CITY CLERK	



SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

October 15, 2015

CSA 10A
Mr. Wade Horton, Director
Department of Public Works
County of San Luis Obispo
County Government Center, Rm 206
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Subject: Notice of Application for Acquisition of Additional Delivery Entitlement

Dear Mr. Horton,

Per the October 24, 2006 Nacimiento Project Water Delivery Entitlement Contract (Contract), Article 6(D), San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) has received an application from four of the Initial Participants to acquire the 6,095 acre-feet per year of Reserve Water and Reserved Capacity.

Per Article 29(B) of the Contract, the District is providing CSA 10A with a sixty (60) day notice to likewise apply for an additional Delivery Entitlement of Reserve Water and Reserved Capacity.

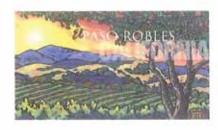
Sincerely,

DEAN BENEDIX

Utilities Division Manager

C: Christopher Alakel, Water Resources Manager, City of El Paso de Robles Jeff Briltz, General Manager, Templeton Community Services District John Neil, General Manager, Atascadero Mutual Water Company Aaron Floyd, Water Utilities Manager, City of San Luis Obispo

Attachment: Application for Acquisition of Additional Delivery Entitlement









September 16, 2015

San Luis Obispo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District
Attn: Wade Horton, Director of Public Works
Department of Public Works
County of San Luis Obispo
County Government Center
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

CSA 10A c/o Wade Horton Department of Public Works County of San Luis Obispo County Government Center San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

SUBJECT: Application for Acquisition of Additional Delivery Entitlement

In accordance with Article 6(D) and other applicable provisions of the "Nacimiento Project Water Delivery Entitlement Contract" dated August 17, 2004, as amended, each Initial Participant does hereby apply for additional delivery entitlement. Specifically, Initial Participants apply to acquire the 6,095 acre-feet per year of Reserve Water and Reserved Capacity.

Attached is the revised Table 1 containing the parametric information (entitlement share, unit percentage share, etc.) resulting from this action and as called for in accordance with the Second Amendment to the "Nacimiento Project Water Delivery Entitlement Contract" dated August 2007.

Written notice is also hereby given to County Service Area No. 10A of the Initial Participant's application for additional Delivery Entitlement of Reserve Water / Reserved Capacity. In accordance with Article 29 (B), CSA 10(A) has 60 days (i.e. November 23, 2015) to likewise apply for an additional Delivery Entitlement of Reserve Water / Reserved Capacity.

Sincerely,

CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES

James L. App, City Manager

ATASCADERO MUTUAL WATER COMPANY

John Neil, General Manager

CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

Katie Lichtig, City Manager

TEMPLETON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Jeff Briltz, General Manager

C. Halley 7/27/2015

Proposed Parametrics for Full Subscription

Proposed % Share at Full Subscription CSA10A Participating in Full Subscription

Unit			Do	ercentage S	haro		
Offit	Paso	TCSD	AMWC	SLO City	CSA 10A	District	All
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Current Max. Instantaneous Q, (cfs)	9.03	1.03	8.29	5.10	0.04	0.00	
Add'l Instantaneus Q ¹ Total Max. Instan. Q, (cfs)	<u>3.84</u>	<u>0.24</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>3.25</u>	<u>0.02</u>	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Max. Instan. Q, (CIS)	12.87	1.27	10.21	8.35	0.06	0.00	
Max Monthly Deliv, ac-ft/mo	537.0	62.5	500.0	310.0	2.3	0.0	
Add'l Monthly Deliv, ac-ft/mo ² Total Max. Monthly Deliv, ac-ft/mo	<u>229.6</u> 766.6	<u>14.3</u> 76.8	<u>114.8</u> 614.8	<u>194.0</u> 504.0	<u>1.4</u> 3.7	<u>0.0</u> 0.0	
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T6	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.000		100.000%
T11 Other	0.000	0.000	0.000	99.266%	0.734%		100.000%
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G1	20.715%	1.295%	10.357%	67.137%	0.497%		100.000%
G2	20.715%	1.295% 1.295%	10.357%	67.137% 67.137%	0.497%		100.000% 100.000%
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T2	100.000%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		100.000%
T4 T6	N/A N/A	100.000% N/A	N/A 100.000%	N/A N/A	N/A N/A		100.000% 100.000%
T11	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A	99.266%	0.734%		100.000%

Reserve Water 6,095

Note: Need to run District Cost Model to determine budgeted cost distribution per revised Table 1 parametric information.

^{1.} Additional instantaneous flow calculated at +10% peaking on additional entitlement

Any District Entitlement would be subject to capacity limitations per Reach according to Nacimiento Project Commission Drop-Off Capacities adopted Dec 15, 2005.

^{2.} Additional monthly deliveries calcuated as additional entire and a deliveries and a delive

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALTIY ACT INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST FORM CITY OF PASO ROBLES

1. PROJECT TITLE:

Nacimiento Water Project – Paso Robles Reserve Water Full Allocation Evaluation

2. LEAD AGENCY:

Contact:
Phone:
Email:

City of Paso Robles Susan DeCarli, City Planner

(805) 237-3970 sdecarli@prcity.com

3. PROJECT LOCATION:

Paso Robles - Citywide

4. GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION:

Not applicable

5. **ZONING:**

Not applicable

6. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

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7. SURROUNDING LAND USES AND SETTING:

This question does not apply to this project. The "project" is a contractual agreement to divide reserve water that has been entitled to the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District.

8. OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES WHOSE APPROVAL IS REQUIRED (e.g., PERMITS, FINANCING APPROVAL OR PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT):

As noted in the Project Description, no new permits are associated with this project action. The project is an agreement with the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District to modify water allocation of the NWP already within the County's entitlement.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

at least			would be potentially affected gnificant Impact" as indicated		
	Aesthetics		Agriculture and Forestry Resources		Air Quality
	Biological Resources		Cultural Resources		Geology/Soils
	Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Hazards & Hazardous Materials		Hydrology / Water Quality
	Land Use / Planning		Mineral Resources		Noise
	Population / Housing		Public Services		Recreation
	Transportation/Traffic		Utilities / Service Systems		Mandatory Findings of Significance
X	a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared. I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE				
		oject M	IAY have a significant effect	on the	environment, and an
	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required. I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.				
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.				
Signature:	usan De Can	li		Date	1 30 15

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- 1. A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2. All answers must take account of the whole action involved. Answers should address off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- 3. "Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- 4. "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from ""Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses," as described in (5) below, may be cross-referenced).
- 5. Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a. Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b. Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c. Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6. Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7. Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8. The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a. the significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b. the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance

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I. A	AESTHETICS: Would the project:				
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				
	Discussion: Items 1 a. – d. The project would a built or natural landscape, or the environment be allocations already entitled by the County for di program. Therefore, the project could not result scenic vista, scenic resources, visual quality or of the project would not result in any physical distribution.	ecause the proj stribution to pa t in impacts that character of the	ect only pertains to articipants in the Na at would have a sub-	adjustments in cimiento Water stantial adverse	water Project effect on a
b.	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				•
	Discussion: See I a. above.				
c.	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				•
	Discussion: See I a. above.				
d.	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? (Sources: 1, 2, 10)				•
	Discussion: See I a. above.				
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reso Eva mo- reso con land carl	AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURD Durces are significant environmental effects, lead aduation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and purces, including timberland, are significant environmental by the California Department of Forestry and, including the forest and Range Assessment Propon measurement methodology provided in Forest and the project: Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland,	agencies may red by the Cali farmland. In commental effect and Fire Protect ject and the fo	refer to the Californ afornia Dept. of Condetermining whether cts, lead agencies mution regarding the Strest Legacy Assessing	ia Agricultural aservation as an impacts to force ay refer to infortate's inventory ment project; an	Land optional est mation of forest d forest
u.	or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				•
	Discussion: Items II a. $-e$. The project would rebuilt or natural landscape or environment because	not result in an	y physical alteration only pertains to adju	s or modifications stments in water	ons to the rallocations

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	already entitled by the County for distribution to Therefore, the project could not result in impacts				
b.	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				
	Discussion: See item II a. above.				
c.	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?				,
	Discussion: See item II a. above.				
d.	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				•
	Discussion: See item II a. above.				
e.	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?				= 1
	Discussion: See item II a. above.				_
	AIR QUALITY: Where available, the significant or air pollution control district may be relied up				
a.	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? (Source: 11)				•
	Discussion: Items III a. – e. The project would built or natural landscape or environment because already entitled by the County for distribution to	se the project	only pertains to adju	stments in wat	er allocations
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description, a proposed as part of this action. No operational chair pollution as a result of increased traffic, emission not result in use of additional or modified equipment would it require additional employees or vehicle to	anges would ons, or other went than what	occur, and therefore, t water delivery system is used for the existin	here would not -related activition g water delivery	be increased es. It would y system, nor

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plans or policies, including the SLO County Clean Air Plan.

would affect construction-or operational-related air quality impacts, or conflict with any adopted air quality

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b.	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? (Source: 11)				-
	Discussion: See III a. above.				
c.	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? (Source: 11)				•
	Discussion: See III a. above.				
d.	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: See III a. above.				
e.	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? (Source: 11)				
	Discussion: See III a. above.				
IV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Would the pro	oiect:			
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				•
	Discussion: Items IV a. $-$ f. The project would built or natural landscape or environment becau already entitled by the County for distribution to	se the project o	nly pertains to adju	stments in water	r allocations
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description, operational changes are proposed as part of this at therefore this project would not affect the amount allocation only reallocates recipients of water alre environment, the project could not result in impart	ction. Lakeside of water availal ady committed.	water allocations w ble in Nacimiento L Since there would	ould remain the ake. The full was be no alterations	same, ter
b.	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the				

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	California Department of Fish and Wildlife or US Fish and Wildlife Service?					
	Discussion: See Item IV a. above.					
c.	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?					
	Discussion: See Item IV a. above.					
d.	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				•	
	Discussion: See Item IV a. above.					
e.	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				•	
	Discussion: See Item IV a. above.					
f.	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				•	
	Discussion: See Item IV a. above.					
V	CULTURAL RESOURCES: Would the proje	et:				
a.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?					
	Discussion: a. – d. The project would not result in any physical alterations or modifications to the built or natural landscape or environment because the project only pertains to adjustments in water allocations already entitled by the County for distribution to participants in the Nacimiento Water Project program.					
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description, no additions or expansion to the water delivery system or operational changes are proposed as part of this action. The project would not disturb or alter the natural environment that may have existing cultural resources located on it. Therefore, the project could not result in					

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	impacts that would affect cultural resources.				
b.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				-
	Discussion: See Item V a. above.				
c.	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				
	Discussion: See Item V a. above.				
d.	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				
	Discussion: See Item V a. above.				
VI.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS: Would the proje	ct:			
a.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				
	i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42. (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)				•
	Discussion: a. – f. The project would not resonatural landscape or environment because the entitled by the County for distribution to part	project only pert	ains to adjustments	in water allocat	
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description operational changes are proposed as part of this would affect geological or soils resources.	on, no additions or a saction. Therefore	expansion to the wa e, the project could	ter delivery syste not result in imp	em or pacts that
	ii. Strong seismic ground shaking? (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)				
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
	iii. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? (Sources: 1, 2 & 3)				
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				

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	b. Landslides?				
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil? (Sources: 1, 2, & 3)				•
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
C	l. Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?				•
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
(e. Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?				•
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
İ	f. Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?				•
	Discussion: See VI a. above.				
VII	. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS: Wou	ld the project:			
a.	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?				•
	Discussion: a. – b. The project would not resunatural landscape or environment because the pentitled by the County for distribution to partic	project only per	rtains to adjustment	s in water alloca	
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description operational changes are proposed as part of this the existing water delivery system, nor would it project could not result in impacts that would a	action. The pro require addition	ject would not use n al employees or veh	ew or modified of icle trips. There	equipment for fore, the
b.	Conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the				

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purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gasses?

Discussion: See VII a. above.

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VI	II. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIAI	S: Would the pr	oject:	
a.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?			
	Discussion: a. – h. The project would not result in natural landscape or environment because the projectitled by the County for distribution to participat	ect only pertains	to adjustments in	water allocations already
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description, no operational changes are proposed as part of this action hazardous materials. Therefore, the project could not environment.	on. It would also	not incur transpo	rt, use or dispose of
b.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?			□ •
	Discussion: See VIII a. above.			
c.	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?			
	Discussion: See VIII a. above.			
d.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			
	Discussion: See VIII a. above.			
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or			□ ■

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	working in the project area?				
	Discussion: See VIII a. above. Additionally, the Robles Airport, therefore the project could not ef				
f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				•
	Discussion: See VIII a. & f. above.				
g.	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				•
	Discussion: See VIII a. above. Additionally, the or evacuation plan.	e City does no	ot have an adopted ex	xisting emerger	ncy response
h.	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?				•
	Discussion: See VIII a. above.				
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IX	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY: W	ould the proj	ect:		
a.	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
	Discussion: The project would not result in any landscape, or environment because the project or entitled by the County for distribution to particip	aly pertains to	o adjustments in wate	er allocations al	
	Additionally, as noted in the Project Description, no operational changes are proposed as part of this accimprove potable water quality through use of surgroundwater. This will improve the quality of potable (e.g. mineral and salinity content), and resultant ablending will reduce water quality violations from result in a net benefit to water quality. Therefore, water quality standards or water discharge.	tion. Part of face water (I otable water need for use m wastewate	the project objectives Lake Nacimiento), by by reducing the amou of water softeners. In r discharged into the	s for use of NW blending it with ant of total diss t is anticipated Salinas River,	TP water is to th olved solids that water and will
b.	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., Would				•

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	the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? Would decreased rainfall infiltration or groundwater recharge reduce stream baseflow? (Source: 7)		meorporuted		
	Discussion: As a supplemental water supply, the reliance on groundwater resources. The City was this additional water source and help stabilize the would result in a net benefit to local groundwater with groundwater recharge or groundwater resources.	vill be in a position of the Paso Robles ter supplies, and	tion to offset ground groundwater basin	lwater pumping . Therefore, the	with use of project
c.	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site? (Source: 10)				•
	Discussion: See IX a. above. Additionally, sin landscape, it could not affect drainages or strea				ns of the
d.	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site? (Source: 10)	П			•
	Discussion: See IX a. above. Additionally, sin landscape, it could not affect drainages or stream on- or off-site flooding.	nce this project ms, or result in	will not result in ph surface runoff in a	ysical alteration manner that mig	s of the ght result in
e.	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff? (Source: 10)				•
	Discussion: See IX a. above. Additionally, sin landscape, it could not affect stormwater draina				s of the
f.	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality? Discussion: See IX a above.				APP N

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g.	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				
	Discussion: This potential impact is not applica	ible to this pro	ject since the projec	et does not inclu	de housing.
h.	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				
	Discussion: This potential impact is not applicator buildings of any kind.	ble to this proj	ect since the project	t does not includ	le structures
i.	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				•
	Discussion: This potential impact is not application buildings of any kind.	able to this pro	ject since the projec	et does not inclu	de structures
j.	Inundation by mudflow?				
	Discussion: See IX a above. This project could physical alterations or development.	d not result in	inundation of mudfl	ow since it does	s not include
k.	Conflict with any Best Management Practices found within the City's Storm Water Management Plan?				•
	Discussion: See IX a above. This project could Water Management Plan since it does not inclu				y's Storm
1.	Substantially decrease or degrade watershed storage of runoff, wetlands, riparian areas, aquatic habitat, or associated buffer zones?				
	Discussion: See IX a above. This project could include physical development or alterations.	d not decrease	or degrade watershe	ed storage since	it will not
X.	LAND USE AND PLANNING: Would the pro	oject:			
a.	Physically divide an established community?				
	Discussion: The proposed project does not app development.	ly to this ques	tion since it will not	include physica	al

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b.	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				•
	Discussion: The proposed project, a request for Lake water, would not conflict with the City's C documents. The project is intended to offset relinew development as planned for in the General plans and policies adopted for the purpose of average of the purpose of the purpose of average of the purpose of the	General Plan or iance of ground Plan through b	other regulatory pladwater resources to uild-out. The project	ans, policies and accommodate of twould support	d existing and
c.	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				•
	Discussion: There are no adopted habitat conser	rvation plans t	hat apply within the	City of Paso R	obles.
XI.	MINERAL RESOURCES: Would the project:				
a.	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? (Source: 1)				
	Discussion: The proposed project would not restherefore not have the potential to affect mineral		alterations or const	ruction, and wo	uld
b.	Result in the loss of availability of a locally- important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan? (Source: 1)				•
	Discussion: See XI a. above.				
XII	NOISE: Would the project result in:				
a.	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? (Source: 1)				•
	Discussion: The proposed project does not include construction, use of equipment, vehicles or other apparatus that may cause an increase in noise. Therefore, the project could not expose people to noise levels that would exceed local standards.				

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b.	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
	Discussion: See XII a. above. The proposed p	roject could no	t result in groundbo	rne vibration or	noise.
c.	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				•
	Discussion: See XII a. above. The proposed p	roject could no	t result in substantia	al permanent no	ise.
d.	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				•
	Discussion: See XII a. above. The proposed p	roject could no	t result in substantia	al permanent no	ise
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Sources: 1, 4)				-
	Discussion: See XII a. above. The proposed publich is not within the vicinity of the Paso Ro		se the existing water	r pipeline for wa	ater delivery,
XI	II. POPULATION AND HOUSING: Would	the project:			
a.	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? (Source: 1)				•
	Discussion: As noted in the Project Description offset groundwater pumping, and would be conwould not result in growth-inducing impacts, a population growth.	nsistent with the	e City's General Pla	in build-out proj	ections. It
b.	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				•
	Discussion: The project does not include physical existing housing.	sical developme	ent or construction,	and could not di	splace
c.	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement				

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Discussion: The project does not include physical development or construction, and could not displace people or housing.

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pro fac	XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES: Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:						
a.	Fire protection? (Sources: 1,10)						
	Discussion: a. – e. Since the proposed project we the need for new public services.	ould not resu	lt in new developm	ent, and would n	ot result in		
b.	Police protection? (Sources: 1,10)						
	Discussion: See XIV a. above.						
c.	Schools?				•		
	Discussion: See XIV a. above.						
d.	Parks?						
	Discussion: See XIV a. above.						
e.	Other public facilities? (Sources: 1,10)						
	Discussion: See XIV a. above.						
X	7. RECREATION		A TON A SECOND		7 = 4		
a.	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				•		
	Discussion: Since the proposed project would no recreational facilities, and it is not applicable to the		w development, it v	would not impact	:		
b.	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which				•		

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might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

Discussion: See XV a. above.

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XV	I. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC: Would the	project.			
a.	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?				•
	Discussion: As noted in the Project Description, in with delivery of additional water allocation that could conflict with applicable transportation plans, include	ld result in increas	ed traffic. Theref	ore, the project of	
b.	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including but not limited to a level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				•
	Discussion: See XVI a. above.				
c.	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				•
	Discussion: The project will not result in physica traffic patterns.	l development or	land alterations, a	and could not af	fect air
d.	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
	Discussion:				
	See XVI a. above.				
e.	Result in inadequate emergency access?				

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	Discussion: See XVI a. above.				
f.	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such_facilities?				•
	Discussion: See XVI a. above.				
XV	'II. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS: V	Would the proj	ect:	100000	
a.	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
	Discussion: The objective of this project is to in including the City's ability to reliably meet summemergency, water rights challenge, water quality prolonged drought or climate change. The projective requirements, and therefore, it could not exceed Quality Control Board?	nertime peak de y event, or wel ect would not a	emands, maintain wa Il failure, etc., and to require, create, dema	ter supplies in the address potent and, or change e	ne event of an tial effects of existing wate
b.	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			•	
	Discussion: The proposed project will not requibeyond what is planned for in the City Water T since there is adequate existing capacity of thos phased construction upgrades to treat the full al	reatment Maste e facilities upo	er Plan and Wastewa	ater Treatment I	Master Plan
c.	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
	Discussion: Distribution of Nacimiento water is therefore could not affect existing or planned st			ge facilities, and	l would
d.	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				•
	Discussion: The project is not a development p bring reserve water supplies to the City's water sufficiency of water supplies available and/or a	supply system	. Therefore, the pro	ject would not a	iffect the

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	require new entitlements				
e.	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the projects projected demand in addition to the providers existing commitments?				•
	Discussion: The proposed project would not re City's waterwater treatment plant capacity.	quire wastewa	ter treatment, theref	fore it could not	affect the
f.	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
	Discussion: This topic does not apply to the pro- result in solid waste that could affect the City's		since distribution of	f water allocatio	n does not
g.	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				•
	Discussion: See XVII f. above.				
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a.	VIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFI Does the project have the potential to	CANCE			
a.	degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				
	Discussion: As provided for in the Project Desfor use by local agencies, and would therefore conscripted for allocation (and which was previn 2003).	not reduce the	amount of Nacimie	nto Lake water p	oreviously
	Therefore, the project does not have the potent reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminatory or prehistory.	cause a fish or or animal com	wildlife population nunity, reduce the n	to drop below s number or restric	elf- et the range
b.	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable"				

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means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?

Discussion: As provided for in the Project Description, this project would allocate water already entitled for use by local agencies, which was previously evaluated in the FEIR for the Nacimiento Water Project in 2003.

The City of Paso Robles has prepared the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) consistent with the buildout assumptions of the City's 2003 General Plan. As identified in the UWMP, the City anticipates acquiring an additional 1,400 AFY by 2020, bringing its total entitlement share up to 5,400 AFY. The UWMP specifically notes that "Use of Nacimiento water will reduce groundwater pumping and provide additional high quality water sources for City residents." The plan states addition NWP water, "...would allow the City to stabilize future basin well pumping at 3,400 AFY (approximately 2006 levels) or less, depending upon the effectiveness of long-term conservation programs." The UWMP also states that commitment of the remaining water supply (e.g. reserve water), is being considered by the City and other agencies. The assumptions and analysis of the UWMP support the

The amount of water proposed to be allocated to Paso Robles would be 1,132 AFY more than identified in the City's 2010 UWMP. Consistent with the UWMP, the additional allocation would be used:

To increase reliability of water supplies

City's request for full allocation of the remaining reserve water.

- Reduce demand on Paso Robles groundwater basin wells
- Augment summertime peak demands
- Response to a water rights challenge
- Provide for emergencies, including, water quality event, or well failure, etc.
- Address impacts of prolonged drought / climate change.

No change to the City's adopted General Plan, buildout assumptions or other land use modifications are proposed to accompany the Reserve Water Full Allocation.

In regard to the potential for growth-inducing impacts of water available to Paso Robles from the NWP, the NWP FEIR states, "Growth-inducing impacts of the City of Paso Robles would not be significant because there is a considerable projected water deficit (emphasis added) which would be a factor that would slow growth in this area." The FEIR also states, "Where water project supplies are in excess of water demand and are not used to reduce projected groundwater overdraft, then the potential growth-inducing impacts become more adverse and significant." Any additional water available to Paso Robles through full allocation would be in excess of demand for development allowed under General Plan build-out. Consequently, reserve water would be used for the non-development objectives stated above. Therefore, full allocation of reserve water available through this project action would not be growth inducing.

Therefore, the project does not have the potential to have impacts that are individually limited, but

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	cumulatively considerable.				
c.	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				
	Discussion: As provided for in the Project Desuse by local agencies, which was previously ex Therefore, the project does not have the potent adverse effects on human beings, either directly	valuated in the lial to have envi	FEIR for the Nacim	iento Water Pro	ject in 2003.

EARLIER ANALYSIS AND BACKGROUND MATERIALS.

Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, one or more effects have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c)(3)(D).

Earlier Documents that may have been used in this Analysis and Background / Explanatory Materials

Reference #	Document Title	Available for Review at:		
1	City of Paso Robles General Plan	City of Paso Robles Community Development Department 1000 Spring Street Paso Robles, CA 93446		
2	City of Paso Robles Zoning Code	Same as above		
3	City of Paso Robles Environmental Impact Report for General Plan Update	Same as above		
4	2005 Airport Land Use Plan	Same as above		
5	City of Paso Robles Municipal Code	Same as above		
6	City of Paso Robles Water Master Plan	Same as above		
7	City of Paso Robles Urban Water Management Plan 2005	Same as above		
8	City of Paso Robles Sewer Master Plan	Same as above		
9	City of Paso Robles Housing Element	Same as above		
10	City of Paso Robles Standard Conditions of Approval for New Development	Same as above		
11	San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District Guidelines for Impact Thresholds	APCD 3433 Roberto Court San Luis Obispo, CA 93401		
12	San Luis Obispo County – Land Use Element	San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning County Government Center San Luis Obispo, CA 93408		
13	USDA, Soils Conservation Service, Soil Survey of San Luis Obispo County, Paso Robles Area, 1983	Soil Conservation Offices Paso Robles, Ca 93446		
14	Bike Master Plan, 2009	City of Paso Robles Community Development Department 1000 Spring Street Paso Robles, CA 93446		

