

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY, WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION UNIT**

Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Gas Pipeline 210-A and 210-B In-Line Inspection Repair Project.

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has directed the preparation of and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. The State Water Board is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

Project Location: Solano County, approximately 9 miles east of Suisun City and 1.5 miles west of Highway 113.

Description of the Proposed Project:

The State Water Board proposes to issue a certification for the following:

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) proposes to inspect Gas Lines 210A and 210B in Solano County. Pipeline inspections are required by a federal regulation (CFR 49 Part 192 Subpart O) which states that all underground pipelines in High Consequence Areas (HCAs) must be inspected. In-Line Inspection of natural gas pipelines is accomplished by inserting a cylindrical inspection tool known as a "pig" into one end of the pipeline and removing it at the other end. Before Line 210A can be inspected in Spring 2010, PG&E must fabricate and install launching equipment, and replace a mainline valve at the MP 1.38. To accommodate installation of the launching equipment and mainline valve replacement at MP 1.38, PG&E must expand the existing valve lot to the west by an area of 50 ft by 190 ft. This additional area will be fenced and graveled.

Line 210B runs adjacent to and is offset from Line 210A by approximately 10 feet. In-Line Inspection of Line 210B is scheduled for Spring 2011. Prior to inspecting Line 210B, PG&E will similarly fabricate and install launching equipment and replace a mainline valve at MP 1.38. All work on Line 210B at MP 1.38 will be conducted within the proposed 190 ft by 50 ft area to be expanded for the 210A upgrade. Additionally, PG&E will replace the mainline valve at MP 4.88. This work will require temporary excavation outside of the proposed fenced and graveled valve lot.

The proposed project would pose less than significant impacts to resources with Mitigation. A combination of avoidance, minimization and compensatory mitigation measures are proposed.

Public Review Period: The MND is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, beginning March 8, 2010. Written comments should be submitted no later than

April 7, 2010, to the following address:

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Copies of MND may be reviewed at the location below during normal business hours by contacting Cliff Harvey at (916) 558-1709 (CHarvey@waterboards.ca.gov) or online on the State Water Resources Control Board website (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/index.shtml#new):

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Your views and comments on potential impacts of the project on the environment are welcomed.