

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS
HEMPHILL DIVERSION PROJECT
SCOPING MEETING
OCTOBER 2020**

The intent of this document is to provide a summary of the comments made at the Hemphill Diversion Structure Project Draft Environment Impact Report Scoping meeting held via zoom on September 21, 2020. The intent is not to be a word by word reflection of the meeting but rather a consolidation of the points. Each individual comment has been recorded and is a matter of project record.

- Fish screening for diversion into the canal should be evaluated
- Hydrology of Auburn Ravine for Alternative 3 should be evaluated to consider if Placer County Water Agency were to stop selling water downstream
- Clarification was provided for the infiltration bank – a portion is in the stream
- Clarification was provided that with Alternative 4, the diversion structure would be removed allowing for fish passage
- Consider review of the Lincoln Gauging Station fish passage project as an alternative for the fish passage
- Clarified the District did an internal feasibility analysis to move forward with four alternatives
- Clarified that State and Federal agencies were not formally consulted with for the alternatives and that the public scoping meeting notice was to solicit comments from them within CEQA process.
- Clarified that the fiscal impacts for each alternative will be reviewed
- Clarified that alternatives discussed in the TAC were not record in the project files and comments should be submitted as part of this process
- Comment was made about the design and cost of the pipeline needs to be addressed, as well as the diversion of water from Auburn Ravine
- Clarified that there will be some pressure in the pipeline
- Comment received of observation of Pacific Lamprey and if they will be evaluated
- Clarified that the water for the pipeline will come from Auburn Ravine 1 and that the water is diverted at Gold Hill diversion
- Clarified that the document will review the increased flows into Auburn Ravine 1 and the decrease flows into Auburn Ravine natural
- Comment received about evaluating the increased diversion at Gold Diversion and whether screening would be provided at Gold Hill Diversion
- Clarified that the existing structure is being reviewed to determine if a fish passage can be built over it and this will be reported on
- Affirmed that the District is aware of the upstream the sewer pipe crossing and that it will be discussed
- Clarified both underground and above ground pipeline stream crossings are being considered
- Affirmed that all finalized public reports will be made available on the project website
- Comment received to provide a good description of the regulatory pathways and various options that may be more advantageous or efficient than the other
- Confirmed that the double line on the pipeline route is for an off pavement and on pavement option
- Comment received to reconsider telecommunications for the purpose of fish counting
- Comment received that Placer County Flood Control Agency should be involved

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- Comment received that the Placer County Conservation Program is approved since this document release
- Comment received to consider visual and noise impacts to the golf course during construction and potential pumping
- Affirmed that the internal review of the Lincoln Canal will be discussed in the document
- Comment received in reference of sediment transport report that year around data is available at Lincoln Wastewater station
- Comment received about downstream impact of decommission the canal on the swallows
- Clarified that an off pavement option was indicated as cost savings for pavement restoration
- Affirmed that Alternative 4 will review impacts of customers no longer receiving service
- Clarified impacts on water supply will be reviewed which include impacts on agricultural users
- Comment received about not considering how farmers use the land for items such as crop rotation
- Affirmed that project will not impact PCWA operation
- Affirmed ground water will be looked at in the hydrology section