

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY of a Finding of No Significant Impact

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Indian Health Service

Tule River Indian Tribe of California Wastewater Effluent Disposal Improvement Project CA21-N80

This Notice is hereby given to interested parties that the Indian Health Service (IHS) as lead Federal agency, with Tule River Indian Tribe of California has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for a request to fund improvements to the Tribe's wastewater effluent system. The proposed improvements would expand effluent disposal capabilities and increase treated effluent storage capacity at the wastewater treatment plant. The proposed improvements would be implemented on undeveloped lands near the existing wastewater treatment plant on trust land of the Tribe adjacent to the Tule River Indian Reservation in Tulare County, California.

The EA and FONSI are available for review and comment at the locations below. An electronic version of the document can be found at https://www.ihs.gov/california/index.cfm/about-us/oehe/ofc-assoc-dir/.

Hard copies of the EA are available at the following locations:

Tule River Department of Environmental Protection; Tule River Tribal Administration Office; Tule River Tribal Justice Center; and The Indian Health Service Clovis Field Office.

The review and comment period will be from June 26, 2023 to July 26, 2023. For additional information contact Ms. Michelle Roy, Field Engineer, IHS Clovis Field Office, 613 Harvard Avenue, Suite 101, Clovis, CA 93612 or (559) 322-7488.

The EA and FONSI were prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) General Administration Manual Part 30 Environmental Protection and the Indian Health Service Environmental Review Manual.

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June 26, 2023

Date