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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
THE HANSEN DAM RANGER STATION AND TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
(W.O. E170405B)**

—State Clearinghouse No. (SCH#): Pending Assignment by OPR—

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and Article 7 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering has prepared an Initial Study for the project described below. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts and proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Department of Public Works proposes to construct a ranger station and visitor center, with office space for park rangers and park staff as well as public information areas, public restrooms and storage space (Figure 1). The project would be located on undeveloped land. The (approximately 5,000 square foot) facility would also include a park maintenance function, being axillary to a nearby, existing maintenance yard, approximately 1,000 feet to the north. In addition to the new facility, the project would include site improvements for park visitors (e.g., 25-50 parking spaces, water fountains, trash receptacles), trail improvements for equestrian use, pedestrian walkways, and an interior roadway for vehicular use. Perimeter fencing and a main entry gate would be provided along with staging areas for entry points into the trails. Once completed, the ranger station/visitor center, maintenance yard would be operated by the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, Valley Region.

PROJECT LOCATION: The ranger station would be located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Osborne Street and Dronfield Avenue inside the Hansen Dam Recreation Area. See map and aerial photograph on the following page (Figures 2 and 3). The site is located entirely within the jurisdiction of City of Los Angeles Council District 7, within the Arleta-Pacoima Community Plan areas.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The proposed Hansen Dam Ranger Station and Trail Improvements Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration will be circulated for a 30-day public review period, beginning on June 26, 2008 and ending on July 28, 2008. Copies of the document are available for review at the following locations:

Lake View Terrace Branch Library
12002 Osborne Street
Lake View Terrace, CA 91342
(818) 890-7404

Pacoima Branch Library
13605 Van Nuys Boulevard
Pacoima, CA 91331
(818) 899-5203

A copy of the document may also be obtained by calling William Jones of the Bureau of Engineering at (213) 485-5760, by visiting the office address listed below, or by viewing the Bureau of Engineering website, http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/Environmental_Review_Documents.htm. All comments must be submitted in writing no later than 3:00 p.m. on **July 28, 2008**, by mailing to:

William Jones
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PLEASE ALSO SEE SEPARATE NEPA NOTICE.

Thank you for your interest.

