



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY
AND
PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
For MPWMD Board review on May 21, 2012**

- 1. PROJECT TITLE:** Adoption of Ordinance No. 151: “2012 Conservation Program Amendment Ordinance of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.”
- 2. DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROJECT:** Proposed Ordinance No. 151 (Attachment 3 of the Initial Study) implements High Efficiency Toilets and High Efficiency Urinals as the District’s standard; establishes a fixture unit value for Ultra High Efficiency Toilets; clarifies credit for Instant-Access Hot Water Systems and variance application timing related to permits; amends the District’s water efficiency standards and Rebate for Cisterns, extends implementation of mandatory Non-Residential retrofits; and clarifies and amends Landscape Water Audit requirements and outdoor watering days.

Ordinance No. 151 applies within the boundaries of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), including the cities of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Sand City, Seaside, portions of Monterey County (primarily Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach Carmel Highlands and the Highway 68 corridor), and the Monterey Peninsula Airport District. Each of these jurisdictions regulates land use within its individual boundaries and is responsible for CEQA review of individual projects that are proposed. The District does not regulate land use.

- 3. REVIEW PERIOD:** The Review Period is April 13, 2012, through May 2, 2012. CEQA allows a 20-day comment period for issues of local importance.
- 4. PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The first reading of Ordinance No. 151 will be considered at the MPWMD Board meeting of April 16, 2012. The second reading and consideration of adoption of the Ordinance and Negative Declaration is scheduled for public hearing on May 21, 2012. The first reading will be held at 7:00 PM the Hyatt Regency Monterey, 1 Old Golf Course Rd., Monterey. The second reading will be held at 7:00 PM at the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (conference room), 5 Harris Court, Bldg. G, Monterey, California.
- 5. LOCATION OF DOCUMENTS:** The proposed Negative Declaration and Initial Study and copies of proposed Ordinance No. 151, are available for review at the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District office located at 5 Harris Court, Bldg. G, Monterey, CA 93940 (Ryan Ranch) and on the District’s website at www.mpwmd.net under “Important Announcements -- CEQA Notices.” **The staff contact is Stephanie Pintar at 831/658-5630 or Steph@mpwmd.net.**

- 6. PROPOSED FINDING SUPPORTING NEGATIVE DECLARATION:** Based on the Initial Study, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Board of Directors finds that adoption of Ordinance No. 151 does not have a significant effect on the environment.

PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Based on the finding that adoption of Ordinance No. 151, the 2012 Conservation Program Amendment Ordinance of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, has no significant effect on the environment, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District makes this Negative Declaration regarding MPWMD Ordinance No. 151 under the California Environmental Quality Act.

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