NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PERMIT 21112 PROJECT

In accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq., and the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Section 15000 et seq., the El Dorado Irrigation District (District or EID) will be preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for its proposed modification of Water Right Permit 21112 (proposed project or project).

The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) is to provide an opportunity for the public, interested parties, and public agencies to comment on the scope and proposed content of the EIR. If you are a Responsible or Trustee Agency with jurisdiction by law over natural resources held in public trust, the District needs to know what environmental information germane to your statutory responsibilities should be included in the EIR.

A description of the proposed modification of Water Right Permit 21112, the location of the components related to Water Right Permit 21112, and a listing of probable environmental effects of the modification of Water Right Permit 21112 are provided in the NOP.

The District has determined that the project may result in potentially significant environmental effects and, consequently, an EIR is required; therefore, an Initial Study has not been prepared. The EIR will address the full range of potentially significant environmental effects of the proposed project and feasible alternatives to the proposed project that meet CEQA requirements.

DOCUMENT REVIEW & AVAILABILITY: The 30-day public review period begins on April 17, 2020 and ends on May 18, 2020. A copy of the NOP is available for public review at 2890 Mosquito Road, Placerville, CA 95667, or online at http://www.eid.org/regulatory/environmental-docs-ceqa-nepa.

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING: The District will conduct a public scoping meeting to inform interested parties about the project, and to provide agencies and the public with an opportunity to provide comments on the scope and content of the EIR. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the scoping meeting will be convened via a teleconference format. The public is invited to participate in the scoping meeting by recorded teleconference via the instructions provided below. Members of the public who observe the meeting via teleconference will be given the opportunity to ask questions and/or provide comments on the scope of the analysis to be included in the environmental impact report. The meeting materials are available for download from the District’s web site at www.eid.org. The meeting will be held on April 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

To join the meeting using your phone: United States: 1 310-372-7549; Access Code: 281391
PROVIDING COMMENTS ON THIS NOTICE OF PREPARATION:

Comments on this NOP must be provided within 30 days. Written and/or email comments on the NOP should be provided at the earliest possible date, but must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 18. If you wish to comment on the contents of the upcoming EIR, please send your comments (including, if applicable, the name of a contact person in your agency) to:

El Dorado Irrigation District
2890 Mosquito Road
Placerville, CA 95667
Attn: Brian Deason, Environmental Resources Supervisor
Phone: (530) 642-4064
E-mail: P21112@eid.org

Comments provided by email should include the name and mailing address of the commenter in the body of the email and include “Water Right Permit 21112 Project” in the subject line.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and California law, it is the policy of the El Dorado Irrigation District to offer its public programs, services and meetings in a manner that is readily accessible to everyone, including individuals with disabilities. If you are a person with a disability and require information or materials in an appropriate alternative format; or if you require any other accommodation for this meeting, please contact the EID ADA coordinator at 530-642-4045 or e-mail at adacoordinator@eid.org at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Advance notification within this guideline will enable the District to make reasonable accommodations to ensure accessibility.