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NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been prepared by the California State Lands Commission (CSLC), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), in response to an application submitted by Chevron Pipe Line Company (CPL) for the Mallard Farms Pipeline Replacement Project (Project). The MND is in compliance with the requirements of CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.), and CSLC Regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2901 et seq.). This Notice fulfills a State noticing and review requirement for the CSLC.

Project Title: Mallard Farms Pipeline Replacement Project

Project Location: Suisun Marsh and Honker Bay, Solano County

Project Description: CPL proposes to replace in kind an approximately 1.2-mile segment of pipeline that, upon recent inspections, has shown anomalies (i.e., minor imperfections of the pipe's walls). The Project would not increase pipeline capacity or throughput. The new segment would be installed using horizontal directional drilling (HDD) under Suisun Marsh from two entry points, located at a North Work Area (within the boundaries of the Grizzly Island Wildlife Area) and a South Work Area (in Honker Bay approximately 350 feet offshore). Two staging areas would be used to support construction activities and would be located near the North Work Area on previously disturbed (and privately owned) upland areas with no sensitive habitat. Replacing this segment of pipe would eliminate the anomalies and reduce the impacts from future maintenance and repairs in Suisun Marsh, while the HDD method would result in fewer impacts to the environment compared to alternatives such as conducting separate repairs to the existing pipeline using open trenching in the marsh. Onsite activities are currently scheduled to begin in May 2017 and completed in July 2017, with offsite mobilization and demobilization occurring a few weeks before and after this period. The Project area would be restored to pre-Project conditions following Project completion.

The Project IS/MND can be downloaded, in PDF format, at www.slc.ca.gov (click on the Information tab and select "CEQA from the drop-down menu). Hard copies of the MND are also available for review at the locations below:

Solano County Library 1150 Kentucky St, Fairfield, CA 94533	California State Lands Commission Northern California Field Office 750 Alfred Nobel Drive, Suite 201 Hercules, CA 94547	California State Lands Commission ¹ 100 Howe Ave., Suite 100- South Sacramento, CA 95825
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The MND is available for at least a 30-day review period beginning July 15, 2016, and ending August 19, 2016. All comments must be received by August 19, 2016, and can be sent to:

California State Lands Commission Attention: Kelly Keen 100 Howe Ave., Suite 100-South Sacramento, CA 95825	Email: CEQAcomments@slc.ca.gov Fax: (916) 574-1885
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Important Notes to Commenters

1. You are encouraged to submit electronic copies of your written comments. If written comments are sent by e-mail, please send the comments to CEQAcomments@slc.ca.gov and write the following in the subject line of your email: **Mallard Farms Pipeline Replacement Project Comments**. If written comments are faxed, please also mail a copy to ensure that a clean copy is received by this office.
2. If you represent a public agency, please provide the name, email address, and telephone number for the contact person in your agency for the Project.
3. Before including your mailing or e-mail address, telephone number, or other personal identifying information in your comment, please be aware that the entire comment—including personal identifying information—may become publicly available, including in the MND and posted on the Internet). The CSLC will make available for inspection, in their entirety, all comments submitted by organizations or businesses or by individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses.

The Project's MND will be considered for adoption at the October 13, 2016, scheduled meeting of the CSLC, unless otherwise stated on the CSLC's website. The specific time and location will be posted on the CSLC's website at www.slc.ca.gov when specific meeting information becomes known.

Should you have any questions or need additional information from a State or CEQA perspective, please contact Kelly Keen at (916) 574-1938, or via e-mail at kelly.keen@slc.ca.gov.

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¹ All documents referenced in the MND will also be available at this address for public review during normal working hours. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15072, subd. (g)(4).)