

California Public Utilities Commission January 13, 2016

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3238

- 1. Project Title & Number: Winterhaven Last Mile Underserved Broadband Project
- 2. Property Owner(s): Various
- 3. Contact person: Rob Peterson; winterhavenproject@horizonh2o.com
- 4. Project location: Winterhaven, California; Imperial County See attached project location maps.

Project APNs: Various

- 5. Project Sponsor: The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is the lead agency for preparation of a mitigated negative declaration (MND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for construction and operation of the Winterhaven Last Mile Underserved Broadband Project.
- 6. General Plan designation: Various
- 7. Zoning: Various

- 8. Brief Description of the Project: The Winterhaven Last Mile Underserved Broadband Project would extend high-speed internet service to an approximately 15.67 square mile area, including the community of Winterhaven, a portion of the Fort Yuma-Quechan Indian Reservation, and other areas of unincorporated Imperial County in southeastern California.
- The project site is not located on the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code, including, but not limited to lists of hazardous waste facilities.

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION:

The CPUC has determined that the project analyzed in the attached initial study checklist would not have a significant effect on the environment and the CPUC intends to adopt a mitigated negative declaration. Copies of the proposed mitigated negative declaration and all documents referenced are available for review online at

www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/horizonh2o/winterhaven/index.html

January 13, 2016

DATE OF THIS NOTICE

BY: Rob Peterson, CPUC

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD: January 13, 2016 to February 15, 2016

Please send written comments to the attention of Rob Peterson, c/o Tom Engels at 180 Grand Avenue, Suite 1405, Oakland, CA 94612, or via e-mail to winterhavenproject@horizonh2o.com.