GOLETA SANITARY DISTRICT
NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO ADOPT AN
INITIAL STUDY / MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
ENERGY STORAGE PROJECT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, Goleta Sanitary District Staff prepared a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) that identifies and evaluates the environmental impacts of a proposed energy storage project at the Water Resource Recovery Facility located in Goleta, California.

Project Title: **Goleta Sanitary District Energy Storage Project**

Project Location: One William Moffett Place, Goleta, CA 93117

Project Description:

Goleta Sanitary District (GSD) owns and operates the Goleta Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) located at One William Moffett Place, near the Santa Barbara Municipal Airport, in an unincorporated coastal area of Santa Barbara County, California. In order to achieve its long-term goal of energy neutrality and enhanced energy resilience, GSD proposes to install and operate a solar microgrid and battery energy storage system at the Goleta Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) in Goleta, Santa Barbara County, California. The proposed microgrid system includes 807 kW of solar arrays (comprising approximately 45,680-square-feet), a 1,632 kWh/408 kW 4-hour Eos Z3 battery cube on a newly constructed 900-square-foot concrete pad, and approximately 600 feet of electrical ductbank routing. The solar installation, comprised of 1,552 photovoltaic modules, would be installed in three separate areas throughout the WRRF. The proposed system is expected to generate 1,414,000 kWh annually for the WRRF, meeting approximately 36% of its electrical needs.

The proposed project will require that a Conditional Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit from the Santa Barbara County Planning & Development Department be obtained to construct and operate the proposed project components.

Environmental Review and Public Comment: The circulation of the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) is to encourage written public comments. Interested persons can review the Draft IS/MND at the following physical location:

Goleta Sanitary District
One William Moffett Place
Goleta, CA 93117

Electronic copies of the document can be reviewed on or downloaded from the District's website at www.goletasanitary.org. The comment period on the IS/MND begins on October 22, 2026, and closes on November 23, 2026, at 4:30 PM. A public hearing to accept comments on the documents has been scheduled for Monday, December 7, 2026, at 6:30 PM at the Goleta Sanitary District office at the below listed address. Please submit questions or comments to Steve Wagner <swagner@goletasanitary.org> or to:

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