

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**  
**City of Caliente**  
**Water Supply Well #3**  
**FEMA-1583-DR-NV, PW #81**

The City of Caliente has applied for funds through the Nevada Division of Emergency Management to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region IX Public Assistance Program to replace Municipal Well #3. During the flood event of January 2005, which was declared a major disaster (FEMA-1583-DR-NV), the City of Caliente's Municipal Well #3 was damaged beyond repair. FEMA proposes to provide funding to the City of Caliente to restore the function served by Municipal Well #3.

The City of Caliente proposes to cap and abandon Municipal Well #3. The City of Caliente intends to drill a replacement well on a vacant, dirt parcel consisting of 8.45 acres on the Clover Street Extension, northeast of Denton Avenue and southeast of the Union Pacific Railroad track. The new well would be drilled to a depth of 300 feet and designed to pump 600 gallons per minute. The finished site would consist of a well house with a floorplan of approximately 22 feet by 16 feet and an approximate height of 9 feet. The well house would be constructed of concrete blocks with a metal roof. A gated, perimeter fence would be installed over an area of approximately 100 feet by 75 feet. An 8-inch-diameter water line would be installed via trenching along the northwest side of Clover Street to connect the new well to the existing water system.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, FEMA has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the City of Caliente Water Supply Well #3 (October 2008) to evaluate the impacts of the Proposed Action on the human environment. The Final EA was prepared after a Draft EA was submitted for public review and comment. FEMA received no comments on the Draft EA. The Final EA is available online at [www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region9.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region9.shtm).

Based upon the conditions and the information contained in the Final EA, and in accordance with FEMA's regulations in 44 CFR Part 10 (Environmental Considerations), the following is concluded:

A Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared, based on the fact that there will be no long-term adverse impacts to the natural environment resulting from the Proposed Action. For more information, contact the undersigned at (510) 627-7027 or [fema-rix-ehp-documents@dhs.gov](mailto:fema-rix-ehp-documents@dhs.gov).



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