## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812 FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2017078432** 

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 3310007-002C

**PROJECT TITLE:** Mesquite Mutual Water Company Consolidation (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 53462 Enterprise Way, City of Coachella, Riverside County, CA

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes construction of 2,748 feet (ft) of 12-inch diameter water pipeline and 1,591 ft of 8-inch diameter water pipeline along 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Jackson Avenue right-of-way to consolidate the Mesquite Mutual Water Company with the Coachella Water Authority water system. The Project also includes installation of 14 new fire hydrants.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on June 14, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of Coachella will be carrying out the Project.

## **CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

## Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project involves construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes water main of reasonable length to serve such construction.

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Coachella

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Castulo R. Estrada

**PHONE NUMBER:** (760)-501-8113

A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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