

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, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2018018293

PROJECT NUMBER: 2410007-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Planada Community Services District Water Supply Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Unidentified presently. Localized to Planada, CA in the Merced County

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 the identification of a new water source that can reliably supply water to the Planada Community Services District in the long term or identify a water storage option to meet future peak hour water demands. The engineer and district are currently more inclined to choose the water storage option rather than identifying a new water source.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on December 7, 2020 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Planada Community Services District] will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

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. Project is exempt because it includes basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: Planada Community Services District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Daniel Chavez

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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, 16th 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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