### 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: 2018068019

PROJECT NUMBER: 4610002-003C

**PROJECT TITLE:** Storage Tanks Replacement (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: End of Oxford Mine Rd, Downieville, Sierra 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 the replacement of two existing 100,000-gallon treated water storage tanks with two new 100,000-gallon tanks. The new tanks will be steel and stage-constructed in close proximity to the footprints of the existing tanks. The new tanks will be connected to the distribution system at onsite connection points with new valves and meters.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on September 27, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Downieville Public Utility District will be carrying out the Project.

# CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

# **Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction**

California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15302

**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 replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

LEAD AGENCY: Downieville Public Utility District

# LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Richard J. Melim

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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, 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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