

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
(Categorical)

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WATER SYSTEM #: 4010018

PROJECT TITLE: Operation of Golden State Water Company (GSWC) – Alta Mesa Well 1, 2, 3-Trichloropropane (TCP) Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Treatment Project (Project)

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board
CONTACT PERSON: Jeff Densmore
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PROJECT LOCATION: 1710 Via Alta Mesa, City of Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The GSWC proposes to install GAC treatment at the Alta Mesa Well site to remove 1, 2, 3-TCP from the existing groundwater well. Alta Mesa Well presently resides on the Alta Mesa ion exchange nitrate removal plant site. The GAC treatment system will be an extension of the current treatment on site along with the ion exchange unit.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: This is to advise that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act and will issue a drinking water supply permit for the operation of the above described Project. A record of permit issuance for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water District Office noted above.

Categorical Exemption Status:

- Class 1 Existing Facilities
(California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15301)
- Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction
(California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 153012)
- Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
(California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15303)
- Class 4 Minor Alterations to Land
(California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15304)
- 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 involves adding treatment to an existing facility and as such it is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to a Class 1 existing facilities exemption.

Signature:  Date: MARCH 8, 2019

Name: Jeff Densmore Title: District Engineer

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