

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, Ca 95812-3044 From: Mammoth Community Water District P.O. Box 597 Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

County Clerk County of Mono P.O. Box 237 Bridgeport, CA 93517

Project Title: 2019 Water System Improvements

Project Location:

This project consists of three locations in the Town of Mammoth Lakes. The first portion will be along Highway 203, post mile 5.3-5.5, this portion will also impact the adjacent North and South Frontage Roads. The next location will be on Majestic Pines Drive from Valley Vista Drive to the dead end past Waterford Ave. The last location will be the entire length of Mill Street. See attached Exhibit A for detailed locations.

City: Mammoth Lakes County: Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project is spread over different locations with different goals for each. The area along Highway 203 is a combination of interagency coordination and maintenance. Existing water meters and hydrants will be relocated out of roadways to accommodate the Town's sidewalk project. Additionally, a short segment, approximately 410 feet, of 8" ductile iron pipe will connect two existing dead ends, improving flow and water quality issues. All ground disturbances will be in existing roads with previous ground disturbance.

The remaining locations of the project are lateral replacement. Aging water laterals will be replaced with higher quality pipe of similar size. This project will reduce water losses from leaks or bursting pipe and will benefit the community of Mammoth Lakes by increasing water supply reliability through reduction of losses.

Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying Out the Project:

The Mammoth Community Water District.

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Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (b) provides an exemption for the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alterations of existing public utility structures and facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use. In addition, CEQA Guidelines, Section 15302 (c) provides exemptions for replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced including existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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Reasons why the project is exempt:

The District is a public utility. These exemptions apply because the project is primarily replacement, focusing on repair and maintenance. The only new construction in this project will not increase capacity or expansion, and is rather intended to improve water quality and flow.

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