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Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Dept. of Water Resources
San Luis Field Division, 31770
Gonzaga Rd. CA 95322

Lead Agency: California Department of Water Resources

Project Title: California Aqueduct Reach 5 Erosion Repairs

Project Location City & County: Fresno County

Project Location – Specific: Work will occur in Fresno County approximately 2 miles south of the community of Cantua Creek. The work will occur on the right (R) and left (L) sides of the California Aqueduct (Aqueduct) at milepost (MP) 131.70L to 132.50L and 133.00R to 133.50R. Fill material will be taken from a pile at MP 133.77L.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: San Luis Field Division will backfill and compact portions of the Aqueduct embankments at MP 131.70L to MP 132.50L and MP 133.00R to MP 133.50R that have eroded due to runoff. Eroded areas will be backfilled with approximately 40 cubic yards of material transported from a spoil pile located at MP 132.77L. The material will be compacted either by rolling with a sheep's foot roller or by using a tamper. The embankment will be recontoured to the original specifications. State Water Project Contractors will benefit.

Exempt/Suspend Status:

- Ministerial (§21080[b][1]; 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Proclamation of a State of Emergency Due to Drought)
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080[b][4]; California Code of Regulations §15269[c])
- Categorical Exemption: 15301 (Existing Facilities)
- Statutory Exemptions:

Reasons Why Project Is Exempt: The project will repair erosions along the existing Aqueduct embankment and Aqueduct road in portions of Reach 5. Repairs are necessary to protect the integrity of the Aqueduct and will not increase the capacity or use of it.

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Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources

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Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

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