

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
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FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

SCH #: 2019068057

PROJECT #: 1300009-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Water Treatment and Distribution Upgrades - Winterhaven County Water District (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 494 2nd Ave, Winterhaven, CA 92283

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 proposes to fund planning activities to enhance drinking water treatment and distribution infrastructure at Winterhaven County Water District. Pilot testing will be performed to improve manganese treatment. New distribution system will also be provided including new valves, fire hydrants and water meters. Engineering analysis, geotechnical investigations and topographic surveying will be performed as required. Plans, specifications, and a construction cost estimate will be prepared for the planned improvements.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on May 6, 2020 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Applicant 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(s) selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. Project qualifies for exemption because it consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: Winterhaven County Water District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Rick Miller

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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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