

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) West Stanislaus Irrigation District
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County of Kern
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(209) 894-3091 (Address)

Project Title: 2019 KERN-TULARE WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Project Location - Specific:

Within the boundaries of the West Stanislaus Irrigation District, and Kern-Tulare Water District and within the Delta-Mendota Canal, San Luis Reservoir, and the California Aqueduct.

Project Location - City: Project Location - County: Stanislaus, Kern, Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

West Stanislaus Irrigation District will make up to 20,000 AF of Central Valley Project water available to Kern-Tulare Water District - conveyed through the Delta Mendota Canal, and San Luis Canal to Kern Tulare Water District in 2019. This transfer is well within the historical actions taken by West Stanislaus.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: West Stanislaus Irrigation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: West Stanislaus Irrigation District and Kern-Tulare Water District

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:
Statutory Exemptions. State code number: See below

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Here, continuation of West Stanislaus' annual transfer of CVP water to other districts is a continuation of the status quo, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, the activity is not subject to CEQA. (CEQA Guidelines, §15061.)

Lead Agency Contact Person: Robert Pierce, Manager Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209.894.3091

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Robert Pierce Date: July 8, 2019 Title: General Manager

- Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research
Date received for filing at OPR: JULY 22 2019

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