



## California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212 Sacramento, California 95814 From: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California P.O. Box 54153 Los Angeles, California 90054-0153

## Project Name: Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant Shutdown

**Project Location - Specific**: Dewatering discharges to occur within The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's (Metropolitan) Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant, Auld Valley Pipeline, and San Diego 3 Bypass Pipeline. Inspections and maintenance to occur along the extent of the facilities (see attached location map).

Project Location - City: Unincorporated areas

Project Location - County: Riverside

**Description of Project:** Metropolitan proposes to dewater and shut down the Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant and portions of the Auld Valley Pipeline and San Diego 3 Bypass Pipeline to conduct inspection and maintenance activities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

## **Exempt Status:** (check as applicable)

Ministerial (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines

Declared Emergency (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines

Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(2); State CEQA Guidelines

Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines

Categorical Exemption, Class 1, State CEQA Guidelines §15301

Class 9, State CEQA Guidelines §15309

Statutory Exemption, State CEQA Guidelines

Other, State CEQA Guidelines

## Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographic features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The proposed project consists of inspections to check for performance of an operation, or quality, health, or safety of a project.

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