

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
1416 9th Street, Sacramento CA 95814

(Address)

County Clerk
County of _____

Project Title: San Luis Field Division Fire Modernization Project - Operations and Maintenance Center

Project Location - Specific:

The San Luis Field Division Operations and Maintenance Center (O&M Center) is located southwest of State Route 152 and downstream of B.F. Sisk Dam, in Merced County, approximately 12 miles west of the City of Los Banos in Merced County.

Project Location – City: Los Banos Project Location – County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR will install fire detection and alarm systems in the O&M Center. Upgrades will be made to the: administrative buildings HVAC and installation of a fire suppression system; surveillance unit and warehouse buildings HVAC and install 112.5 kVA transformer; general maintenance warehouse's roll-up door, HVAC, and installation of suppression system in plans office and closet. DWR will install a new hot water heater and emergency eye wash and shower, replacement fire water pump, install jockey pump and controller in the water treatment building. All equipment staging and work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

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: Class 1, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301(b)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and important services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves safety improvement to existing facilities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. Because this activity can be implemented without any significant environmental impacts, the Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Sara Paiva-Lowry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 653-9342

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: Sara Paiva-Lowry Date: 4/8/2020 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

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

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