# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812

#### FROM:

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

### STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2020040286

PROJECT NUMBER: 1010030-006C

PROJECT TITLE: Water Meters Project (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The Project is located in the unincorporated community of Tranquility, within Fresno County. The Project will occur at 348 residential locations throughout the community.

**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 the installation of water meters at 348 existing residential locations. The water meters will be used to help manage use of ground water and provide a more accurate measure of water used.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on June 8, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Tranquility Irrigation District will be carrying out the Project.

# CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

# **Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project involves the installation of water meters which are considered small new equipment.

# **LEAD AGENCY:** Tranquility Irrigation District

# LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Rod Wade

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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, 16<sup>th</sup> 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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