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Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Merced County

2222 M Street

Merced, CA 95340

From: (Public Agency): San Luis Water District
1015 6th Street
Los Banos, CA 93635

(Address)

Project Title: Los Banos Creek Detention Reservoir Regulation Proof of Concept Project

Project Applicant: San Luis Water District

Project Location - Specific:

See Attached.

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

A temporary, above ground, 12-inch maximum pipeline and appurtenances would be installed and connected to turnout 9-1 to convey Project Participants' CVP water approximately 3,533 feet over Reclamation land to the discharge point in the Reservoir at an elevation of 328 feet. Removable stakes or sand bags will be inserted into the ground at various locations along the pipe to keep it from rolling and hold the pipe in-place along the project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Luis Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: San Luis 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: 15304 (e), 15306
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is temporary, in order to gather data for a future permanent project.
There will be no ground disturbance. All pipelines will be placed above ground.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Benjamin Fenters Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-826-4043

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: *Benjamin J. Fenters* Date: 05/01/2020 Title: SLWD District Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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

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Project Location – Specific:

- Los Banos Creek Detention Dam (Lat: 36.993 / Long: -120.934)
- Grasslands WD Downstream Delivery via Los Banos Creek (Lat: 37.072 / Long: -120.880)
- Los Banos Creek at CCID Outside Canal (Lat: 37.040 / Long: -120.891)
- Los Banos Creek to Delta Mendota Canal Inlet, Mile Post 79.61 (Lat: 37.018 / Long: -120.900)