

STANISLAUS CO. CLERK-RECORDER

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of: Stanislaus
1101 I Street
Modesto, CA 95354

From: (Public Agency): Grayson Community Services District
P.O. Box 158
Westley, CA 95387
(Address)

Project Title: Grayson Wastewater Treatment Plant Screening Installation Project

Project Applicant: Same as Lead Agency

Project Location - Specific: Please See Attached Location Map

Project Location - City: Not Applicable Project Location - County: Stanislaus

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Please refer to Attachment A.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Same as Lead Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Grayson Community Services 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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 - Existing Facilities
[ ] Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: Please refer to Attachment A.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Ignacio Lopez Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-652-1229

- 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 [X] No

Signature: Ignacio Lopez Date: 4-14-2020 Title: Grayson CSD Manager

[ ] Signed by Lead Agency [X] Signed by Applicant

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

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## Grayson Wastewater Treatment Facility Plant Improvement Project

### ATTACHMENT A

#### **Project Description:**

The Proposed Project includes improvements to an existing Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) near the town of Grayson. The WWTP provides domestic wastewater services to residents within the boundary of the Grayson Community Services District. The proposed improvements do not include an expansion of the facility. The Proposed Project includes the installation of a mechanical screen to assist in the filtration of Class B solids (sludge). The existing practice for biosolid and inorganic processing at the Wastewater Plant is not sustainable. As a byproduct of the treatment process, the facility generates Class B solids which must be periodically hauled and removed from the site. As stated above the proposed improvements include consists of the installation of a mechanical screen at the headworks of the wastewater treatment plant which will replace the current manual screen and improve the performance of the Wastewater Facility. The mechanical screen would facilitate the filtration process and decrease the level of inorganic solids and sludge to be removed.

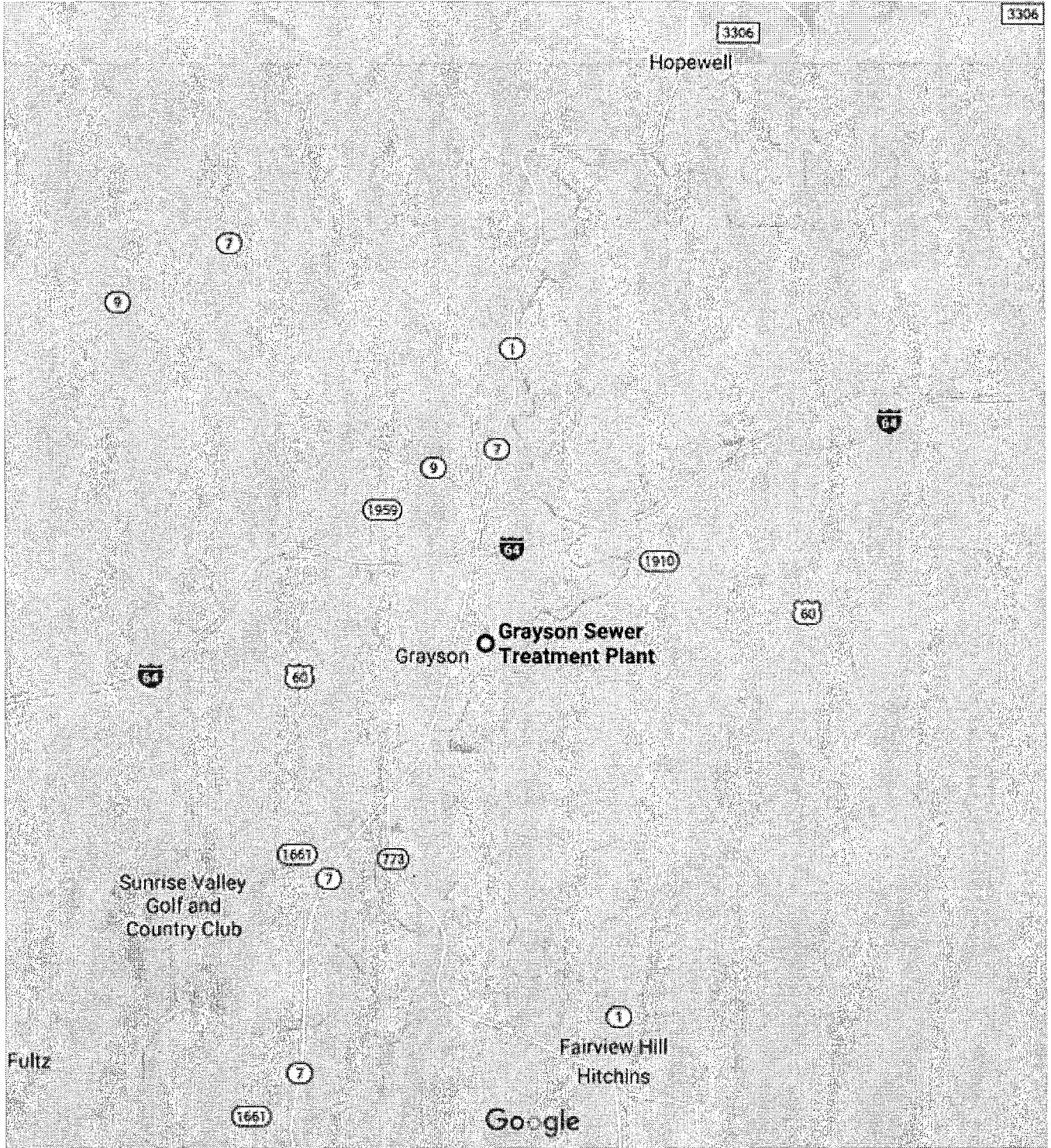
#### **Project Setting:**

The Proposed Project is located directly northeast of the town of Grayson. The Proposed Project site is bounded by agricultural uses to the north, south, west, and the San Joaquin River to the east. The proposed project site is an improved wastewater treatment plant with lagoons and leech fields. The headworks and stage area are located towards the northeastern portion of the proposed project site.

#### **III. CEQA Exemption Information:**

*Attach photos of the project area, as well as any documentation used to support the exemption determination. Explain how the project is consistent with the above listed SE(s) or CE(s) requirements by thoroughly describing the screening process and/or steps that were taken to determine if an exemption was appropriate for the project, including, but not limited to, the Initial Study:*

The Proposed Project consists of the installation of a mechanical screen at the Grayson WWTP to improve performance and efficiency. The Proposed Project is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and does not involve the expansion of the use beyond that existing at the time of the City's (Lead Agency) CEQA Determination. As noted above, the Proposed Project does not expand the wastewater capacity at the WWTP. Rather, the Proposed Project is intended to improve operations for existing Grayson Community Services District customers. The Proposed Project is consistent with Class One: Existing Facilities Categorical Exemption per the CEQA Guidelines.



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