## 2020070087

**Notice of Exemption** 

To:

County Clerk

County of San Bernardino 172 W. Third Street San Bernardino, CA 92415 From:

San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

380 E. Vanderbilt Way

San Bernardino, CA 92408-2725

CEQA Clearinghouse Office of Planning & Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, California 95814

Project Title: Transfer of Turnout WR-23

Project Location - Specific: See attached map

Project Location - City: San Bernardino

Project Location - County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project involves: (i) the transfer of Turnout WR-23 (also known as the Santa Ana River Turnout) from The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) and Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County to the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (Valley District), with no change in capacity or permitted uses, and (ii) the reactivation of the turnout by Valley District so that water deliveries may resume and usage can be properly accounted for by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and invoiced to Valley District and Metropolitan, as appropriate.

Names of Public Agencies Approving Project: San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County, and the California Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agencies Carrying Out Project: San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

Exempt Status: (check one)

 $\square$  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: Guidelines 15301 (Operation and Maintenance of

Existing Facilities); Guidelines 15378 (Not a Project)

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project involves the transfer of ownership of Turnout WR-23 from The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County to San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District. There will not be any change in the capacity or permitted uses of the facility, just a change in ownership. The reactivation of the turnout involves minor upgrades and minor replacement of existing equipment with no expansion of use, and the reactivated facility will remain on the same site and will have the same purpose and capacity as the existing facility.

Lead Agency

Telephone/Extension:

Contact Person: Heather Dyer, General Manager

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If filed by applicant:

- Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Date: 6 29 2020 Title: General Manager

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Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

П Signed by Applicant

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## Attachment 1 - WR-23 Turnout Location Map

