NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

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

SCH#:

PROJECT #: 34126; AGREEMENT#: SWRCB000000000D1917007

PROJECT TITLE: Technical Assistance to Implement the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Statewide

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is the Lead Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resiliency (SAFER) Drinking Water Program is financing the Project. The State Water Board approved funding for the Project on March 9, 2020. The Project is to provide a Circuit Rider program to build technical, managerial, and financial capacity for underperforming water systems, dedicated support for regionalization and consolidation projects, and planning support that enables systems serving small disadvantaged communities to submit complete construction applications for needed improvements.

ENTITY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Rural Community Assistance Corporation

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15306)

Statutory Exemption (Sec. 15262).

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

This is to advise that the State Water Board made CEQA determinations and approved SAFER grant funding for the Project on the date specified below. This is to certify that the record of funding approval for the Project is available to the public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at the above address.

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