

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To:	Office of Planning and Research Post Office Box 3044 Sacramento, California 95812	From:	Department of Water Resources Water Management 1516 9 th Street Sacramento, California 95814
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Subject	Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with § 21108 of the Public Resource Code
Project Title	Multi-year Agreement for Storage of a Portion of Dudley Ridge Water District's State Water Project Water Supplies in Kern Water Bank (SWP #22007)
State Clearinghouse Number(s)	SCH #2021060185
Lead Agency	Dudley Ridge Water District (DRWD)
Project Location (include county)	Kings and Kern Counties
Project Description	In order for DRWD to better manage its SWP water supplies and increase water reliability to help meet water demands within its service area during periods of drought, DRWD requested DWR's approval for the continued delivery of its approved State Water Project (SWP) water supplies (DRWD's SWP Water) to Kern County Water Agency (KCWA) for temporary storage in the Kern Water Bank (KWB) and later recovery for use in DRWD's service area. The Agreement, SWP #22007, sets forth the terms and conditions for the delivery of a portion of DRWD's SWP Water to KCWA for temporary storage in KWB through December 31, 2030, and the recovery of such water by December 31, 2035.
Determination	<p>This is to advise that DWR, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on December 22, 2022 and has made the following determinations :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. 2. An Initial Study/Negative Declaration were prepared for this project by the Lead Agency pursuant to the provisions of CEQA . 3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of this project. 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted for this project. 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.

	<p>6. Findings were not made by DWR pursuant to the provisions of CEQA</p> <p>Initial Study/ Negative Declaration are available for review at the office of Dudley Ridge Water District, 445 W. Fir Avenue, Clovis, CA, 93611-0242.</p>
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<p>Signature: _____</p> <p><i>John Leahigh</i></p> <p>John Leahigh Assistant Division Manager, Water Management Division of Operations and Maintenance State Water Project</p>	<p>Date: _____</p> <p>12/24/2022</p>
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