# CITY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK ROOM 395, CITY HALL LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

(City CEQA Guidelines)

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS:	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)	12 – Lee
111 N. Hope Street, Room 1044	
Los Angeles, CA 90012	
PROJECT TITLE	LOG REFERENCE
Chatsworth Reservoir Debris Basin Maintenance Project	

### PROJECT LOCATION

Chatsworth Reservoir Debris Basins (8600 Fallbrook Avenue, West Hills, CA 91304 and 9000-9300 North Valley Circle Boulevard, Chatsworth, CA 91311)

#### DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

Critical maintenance is required at Chatsworth Reservoir Debris Basin for the purpose of preserving the line, grade, flow capacity/volume of stormwater, and to control invasive/non-native plants (see attached Site Location Map). The scope of work will be to mitigate for previous deposits of erosion and sediment movement into the Debris Basin and associated stormwater conveyance channels. In addition, the scope of work will include mechanical control/mitigation of invasive/non-native plant species which include Tamarisk shrubs and mustard plants, and other necessary vegetation trimming/clearance. All work will be conducted by LADWP, Water Operations, Property Management - Reservoir Maintenance crews.

Maintenance work will be accomplished using light duty construction equipment and hand tools. Light duty construction equipment includes and is limited to: Bobcat (skid steers) and pickup trucks. Hand tools include and are limited to: chain saws, weed whackers/trimmers, and brushing equipment. Aquatic pesticides may also be used. An approximately 1-acre staging/laydown area for the maintenance work is proposed at the southeastern edge of the Debris Basin. The approximately 1-acre staging/laydown area is an already pre-disturbed maintained area within Chatsworth Reservoir. All removed vegetation, debris, and sediment (if any) will be collected and removed off-site for proper disposal. Initial maintenance will take approximately 30 days to complete. Future routine maintenance will take place on an as-needed basis.

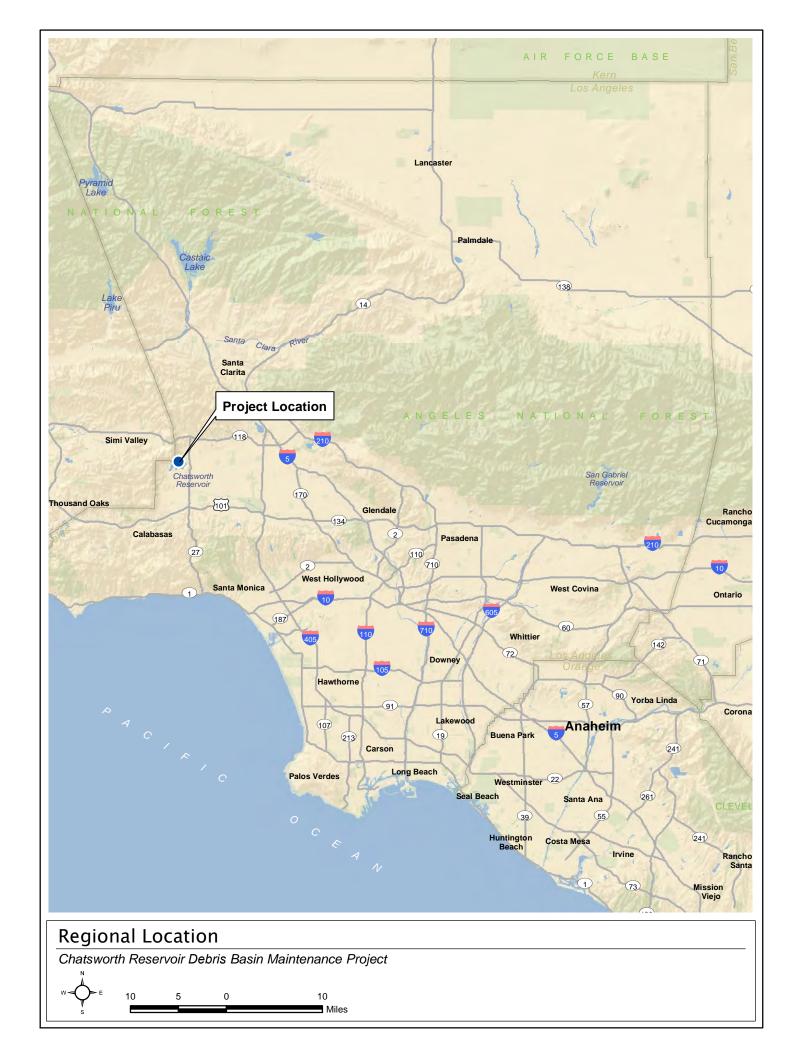
CONTACT PERSON	AREA CODE   TELEPHONE NUMBER   EXT.			
James R. Howe	(213) 367-0414			
EXEMPT STATUS:				
Categorical Exemption: CEQA Section 15304, Class 4 (Minor Alterations of Land)				
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#### JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the maintenance of an existing reservoir debris basin is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15304, Class 4. Section 15304, Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. The proposed maintenance work at the Chatsworth Reservoir Debris Basin meets the requirements of the exemption; therefore, no further CEQA review is required.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING				
SIGNATURE		TITLE:	DATE	
	for	Manager of Environmental Planning and Assessment	10/28/2021	
Charles C. Holloway				
FEE: \$75.00 RECEIPT NO.		REC'D BY	DATE	

DISTRIBUTION: (1) County Clerk (2) City Clerk (3) Agency Record Form Gen. 153 (9/91) (Appendix A)







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