Appendix E

## Notice of Exemption

| To: Office of Planning and Research<br>P.O. Box 3044, Room 113<br>Sacramento, CA 95812-3044<br>County Clerk<br>County of:   | From: (Public Agency): Department of Water Resources<br>Division of Operations & Maintenance<br>715 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814<br>(Address) |
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| Project Title:       Fiber Optic Cable at Castaic Right Abutment         Project Applicant:       Department of Water Resources   |   |
|   | Resources   |
| Project Location - Specific:  |   |
| Castaic Dam, northwest of Lake Hughes Road. 34.522327° N, -118.613668° W  |   |
| Project Location - City: Castaic  | Project Location - County: Los Angeles  |
| Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:<br>The Department of Water Resources' is proposing to replace a failed copper communications cable between the<br>Castaic High Intake Tower and the control building near the Stream Release facility with a new fiber optic cable<br>(FOC). The cable allows communication between the facilities and remote control of the intake tower. |   |
| Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources  |   |
| Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources  |   |
| Exempt Status: (check one): <ul> <li>Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);</li> <li>Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));</li> <li>Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));</li> <li>Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Minor Alterations to Land, 15304(f)</li> <li>Statutory Exemptions. State code number:</li></ul>  |   |
| Reasons why project is exempt:<br>This project is exempt from CEQA because it involves minor alterations to land which<br>will involve trenching and backfilling to bury the Fiber Optic Cable. The surface will be<br>restored back to original contours.  |   |
| Lead Agency<br>Contact Person: Gina Radieve   | Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-882-2051   |
| If filed by applicant:<br>1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.<br>2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No  |   |
| Signature: Jason Brahu  | Date: Title:Project Manager   |
| <ul> <li>Signed by Lead Agency</li> <li>Signed</li> </ul>   | ed by Applicant   |
| Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.       Date Received for filing at OPR:         Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.       Date Received for filing at OPR:   |   |