NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Telemetry Replacement 2021

Project Location: Cities of: Rancho Mirage, Cathedral City, Palm Desert; Riverside County, CA

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) will replace telemetry equipment at nine potable water facility sites within the cities of Palm Desert, Cathedral City and Rancho Mirage. The sites facilities include Booster Stations (BO) and Wells (W):

1.	B05655	47-490 PORTOLA AVENUE	PALM DESERT
2.	B05689	72-325 PAINTERS PATH	PALM DESERT
3.	W5664	38-301 NASTURTIUM WAY	PALM DESERT
4.	W5659	74-005 QUICKSILVER DRIVE	PALM DESERT
5.	W4509	30 VICTORIA FALLS DRIVE	RANCHO MIRAGE
6.	W5663	73-002 MAGNESIA FALLS DRIVE	PALM DESERT
7.	W4526	69-501 30TH AVENUE	CATHEDRAL CITY
8.	W4562	28-010 AVENIDA MARAVILLA	CATHEDRAL CITY
9.	W5625	73-748 MAGNESIA FALLS DRIVE	PALM DESERT

The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate and improve reliability of domestic water service. CVWD's potable water distribution system is comprised of 169 remote sites, including well sites, booster stations and reservoirs throughout the Coachella Valley. These sites have a mix of legacy remote terminal units (mRTU) that are beyond their useful life, antiquated, and replacement parts are difficult to find. The replacement of this equipment with updated Programmatic Logic Controls (PLC) technology will provide for significant operational optimization through streamlined communications with our newly implemented SCADA system. CVWD is also participating in a Demand Response Program (DRP) with Enersponse through Southern California Edison.

Construction will consist of removal and proper disposal of the existing electronic equipment. Nine new electronic PLCs will be installed, hard wired, and tested for operation. E-waste will be disposed of utilizing CVWD's contracted services for disposal at an authorized recycling facility. Negligible downtime is anticipated for the facility installation, and will not impact CVWD potable water service. CVWD will replace equipment for nine sites over the next two-year period.

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Surrounding land uses consist of residential, commercial, recreational, and roadways. The project is not located within or adjacent to a conservation area associated with the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan. The project sites are located within developed urban areas, paved roadways or parking lots, and involve negligible ground disturbance

<u>Lead Agency Approving Project and Contact</u>: Coachella Valley Water District; William Patterson, Environmental Supervisor / Phone: (760) 398-2651

Exe	empt Status:
	Not a project: State CEQA Guidelines §15378
	Review for Exemption/Common Sense Exemption: State CEQA Guideline §15061(b)(3)
	Ministerial: (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guideline §15268)
	Declared Emergency: (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guideline §15269(a))
	Emergency Project: (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guideline §15269(b)(c))
	Statutory Exempt: State CEQA Guidelines §
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Reasons why project is exempt:

State CEQA Guidelines §15301 (Existing Facilities) allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

State CEQA Guidelines §15032 (Replacement or Reconstruction) allows for projects consisting of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

Date: November 10, 2021

Sylvia Bermudez Clerk of the Board

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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