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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Clerk of the Board Attn: Susan Galloway 701 Ocean Street, Room 500 Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Project Name: Davenport Water Tank Rehabilitation Project

**Project Location:** The project site is located within the existing Davenport Water Treatment Plant which occurs in the northeast portion of a large 111 acre parcel with a site address of 700 HWY 1 in Davenport.

Assessor Parcel No.: 058-071-06

Project Applicant: Santa Cruz County Sanitation District

**Project Description:** The proposed project involves improvements to the existing Davenport Water Treatment Plant including installation of approximately 300 linear feet of new subsurface water lines between existing facilities, installation of new instrumentation within the existing control panels at the plant, and interior and exterior coating of an existing water storage tank to repair corrosion and deterioration.

The two new water lines will be installed parallel to existing water lines and will connect the existing water storage tank to the treatment plant building where one line will tie into the existing raw water transmission line and the other will connect to the water treatment facility. All work will occur within previously developed areas of the plant. Pipe installation will require excavation of an approximately 2 ft wide and 3 ft deep trench which will be filled in after the pipe is installed. As part of the project, temporary high visibility fencing and/or flagging will be installed to indicate the limits of work and no work-related activity including equipment staging, vehicular access, grading and/or vegetation removal will occur outside the designated limits of work. The project will be completed during the dry season and no construction activities will take place at night or during rain events. At the end of each workday all excavations will be secured with a cover and no exposed trenches or open pits will be left overnight.

Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Cruz

Sanitation District Contact: Ashleigh Trujillo Telephone No. (831) 454-2384

## Date Completed: 12/17/2020

This is to advise that the County of Santa Cruz has found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status: (*check one*)

The proposed activity is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.

The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060 (c).

The proposed activity is exempt from CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).

Ministerial Project involving only the use of fixed standards or objective measurements without personal judgment.

**Statutory Exemption** other than a Ministerial Project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15260 to 15285). Specify type:

Categorical Exemption §15301 (a)(b) Class 1. Existing Facilities

## Reasons why the project is exempt:

The project involves repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of an existing public water treatment facility and involves no expansion of the existing use or capacity. None of the conditions listed in §15300.2 apply.

Signature:

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