Notice of Exemption

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То:	\boxtimes	Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 212 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	From:	Sonoma County Water Agency 404 Aviation Blvd. Santa Rosa, CA 95403
		Sonoma County Clerk 585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103 Santa Rosa, CA 95403		
Project Title: Lake Sonoma Quagga and Zebra Mussel Inspection Project				
Project Location - Specific: The Project is located at 3333 Skaggs Springs Road, Geyserville, California (Figure 1).				
Project Location - City: Unincorporated County: Sonoma				
Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Quagga and zebra mussels are invasive mussel species that, if introduced into a waterway, can devastate the natural environment, clog water and flood protection infrastructure, and cost millions of dollars in maintenance. These mussels are transported between waterways by watercraft, primarily recreational boats. The proposed project would provide watercraft inspection services to prevent quagga and zebra mussel infestation into Lake Sonoma. The proposed project would also provide inspection training to help develop year-round inspections.				
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sonoma County Water Agency				
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sonoma County Water Agency				
Exempt Status: (check one)				
	Mi	nisterial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);		
	□ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));			
	☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));			
\boxtimes	□ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: <u>Section 15309</u> , <u>Inspections</u> ; <u>15061</u> Review for Exemption			
	□ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:			
Reasons why project is exempt: Proposed project activities are limited to quagga and zebra mussel inspections and inspection training that help to prevent potential for infestation at Lake Sonoma. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061, the proposed project does not have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, nor would result in damage to scenic or historical resources.				
Lead Agency Contact Person: Connie Barton Telephone: 707-547-1905				
Signature:Title: General Manager Date: 2/16/2022				
☐ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant Date received for filing at OPR:				

