NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Los Angeles County 12400 Imperial Highway Norwalk, CA 90650

To: County Clerk and Recorder Ventura County 800 S. Victoria Ave, Location #1260 Ventura, CA 93009 From: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road Santa Clarita, CA 91350

Project Title: Approve a Resolution Authorizing a Purchase Order to Kennedy/Jenks Consultants for Inspection Planning Services for the Castaic Conduit Pipeline Reaches 3 & 4 Project

Location -- Specific: LA County Assessor's No. 2866004901, 2866004908, 2866004802, 2866006801 & 286600806

Location -- Counties: Los Angeles County

Description of Activity:

SCV Water will be performing a planning level study to identify the pipeline improvements needed to allow for inspection along with identifying the inspection procedures for reaches 3 & 4 of the Castaic Conduit Pipeline. The inspection planning services will include but are not limited to, existing data review, providing preliminary design report, preliminary drawings, CCTV planning, cathodic protection evaluation, construction cost estimate, and attending meetings, etc.

Name of Public Agencies Approving or Carrying Out Activity: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Lead Agency).

Exempt Status:

Ministerial
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- ☐ Declared Emergency
- ☐ Emergency Project
- X Statutory Exemption. CEQA Guidelines Section 15262
- X Other: Explanation: CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) Common sense exemption

Reasons why activity is exempt:

The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15262, Statutory Exemptions for Feasibility and Planning Studies, as the planning services will analyze and make recommendations regarding potential infrastructure improvements.

The project is also exempt from environmental review under the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the "common sense exemption," which provides that CEQA applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Here, the Agency finds the project exempt from CEQA as "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question" as it consists

of only planning services, and so will have no "significant effect on the environment."

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Signature: Title: WR Planner Date: 8/3/2022

✓ Signed by Lead Agency

✓ Signed by Applicant
Date received for filing by County Clerk: