NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County Clerk From: Otay Water District

County of San Diego 2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd. 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 260 Spring Valley, CA 91978-2096

San Diego, CA 92101

Project Title: Otay Water District Olympic Parkway Recycled Water Pipeline Replacement Project (CIP R2159)

Project Location - Specific: The pipeline replacements will occur within the right of way of Olympic

Parkway between Heritage Road and La Media Road in the city of Chula Vista, California.

Project Location - City: Chula Vista Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Project: The project consists of the replacement of 5,703 feet of existing 20-inch poly-vinyl chloride (PVC) recycled water pipeline with 16-inch recycled water PVC pipeline in Olympic Parkway between Heritage Road and La Media Road in the city of Chula Vista (see attached Exhibit A). This section of pipeline has had four breaks between 2013 and 2021. The quality of the pipe material in this section is of concern and must be replaced in order to prevent any additional breaks. The existing 20-inch pipeline will be removed, and the new 16-inch PVC pipeline will be placed in the same trench with proper bedding and trench backfill per San Diego Water Agency Design Standards. The piping will be reconnected to existing appurtenances along the length of the pipeline section with new valves. All pipeline replacements will be within existing right-of-way and will be installed with open trench construction. All construction will occur in existing roadways or disturbed areas and will not have any impact on environmental resources.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Otay Water District Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Otay Water District

Exempt Status: (check one)

- □ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- □ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- □ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☑ Categorical Exemption (state type and section number): Class 2, Section 15302
- □ Statutory Exemption: (*state code number*):

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The replacement of the recycled water pipeline segment consists of the replacement of an existing public recycled water utility system where the new system will be located in the same site as the system replaced and will have the same purpose and capacity. This work qualifies for the Categorical Exemption, Class 2, Section 15301, Replacement or Reconstruction.

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Date: May 2, 2022 Signature: Visa Colrum-Boya

Environmental Compliance Specialist Title:

✓ Signed by Lead Agency

☑ Signed by Applicant

