## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

То:	Office of Planning and Research Post Office Box 3044 Sacramento, California 95812		From:	Department of Water Resources Water Operation Executive Manager 1516 9 <sup>th</sup> Street Sacramento, California 95814	
Project Title		Non-Permanent Table A Transfer from Mojave Water Agency to Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (SWP #22023)			
Location- Specific		From the Delta to Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's (Santa Barbara) turnout(s) located in the California Aqueduct's Coastal Branch			
Location- County		Santa Barbara County			
Description of Activity		The project is the transfer of up to 1,500 acre-feet of Mojave Water Agency's (MWA) approved 2022 State Water Project (SWP) Table A water to Santa Barbara, executed by the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA), for use in Santa Barbara's service area. The delivery of MWA's 2022 Table A water will be completed by December 31, 2022.			
Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying out Activity		MWA, DWR (responsible agency), CCWA and Santa Barbara			
Exempt Status		<ul> <li>Ministerial</li> <li>Declared Emergency</li> <li>Emergency Project</li> <li>Categorical Exemption: Class 1; CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, existing facility</li> <li>Statutory Exemption: California Water Code Section 1729</li> </ul>			
Reasons why activity is exempt		<ul> <li>a. State Water Project long-term water supply contracts include provisions for delivery within SWP place of use, including for transfers between SWP contractors.</li> <li>b. No construction is required to implement the proposed delivery.</li> <li>c. The facilities are existing facilities that have not been expanded or modified to implement the proposed change in points of delivery.</li> <li>d. There will be no change in land use.</li> </ul>			
Responsible Agency Contact Person		Patrick Luzuriaga Telephone: 916-820-7778			

Signature:	Date:
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