#### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812 FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

**PROJECT NUMBER:** C-06-8360-110

**PROJECT TITLE:** Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: P.O. Box 246, Lost Hills, California 93249-0000

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project referred to internally as Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion. The Project will conduct a study to determine the most feasible solution to increase the capacity of the existing wastewater treatment plant in the Lost Hills Utility District and to ensure consistent compliance with effluent limits.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on March 14, 2023 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Lost Hills Utility District will be carrying out the Project.

#### **CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

## **Class 6: Information Collection**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

## **STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:**

# **Feasibility and Planning Studies**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262)

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. This Project is exempt from CEQA, as the Project scope involves planning and feasibility studies (CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262), and/or data collection, research,

experimental management and resource evaluation activities (CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306), which will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Lost Hills Utility District

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Ana Chavez

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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