## Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District Notice of Exemption

To:	County	Clerk of Kem		te Clearing I te of Califor			
		uxton Avenue		00 10th Street			
	Bakersf	ield, CA 9330	I Sac	ramento, CA	95814		
From:		Tulare Lake B	asin Water Stora	age District,	1001 Chase Ave	nue, Corcoran	ı, CA 93212
Projec	t Title:		downer Transfer County Water A		00 AF of TLBW	SD 2024 State	Water Project
Projec	t Location	n – Specific:	Kern County Wa	iter Agency	Service Area		
Project	t Locatio	n – City: Bak	ersfield	Projec	t Location - Co	unty: Kern	
District Agency	(District) for Sand	will transfer u	p to 4,000 AF of nc., who farms in	f its 2024 St	oject: The Tular ate Water Project ts. The transfer v	Water to Ker	rn County Water
			ving Project: Tu artment of Water		asin Water Storag	ge District, Ke	rn County Water
Name	of Person	or Agency Car	rrying Out Proj	ect: Tulare	Lake Basin Wate	er Storage Dis	trict
Exemp	t Status:						
	Minis	terial (Sec. 210	80(b)(1); 15268)	);			
	Decla	red Emergency	(Sec. 21080(b)(	3); 15269(a)	);		
	Emerg	gency Project (S	Sec. 21080(b)(4)	; 15269(b)(c	));		
X	Categ	gorical Exemption (Sec. 15301);					
X	Statut	ory Exemption	(CA Water Cod	e 1729)			
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Lead A	gency Co	ntact Person:	Cameron Batth		Telephone: 55	9-992-4127	
[f filed		ch certified doc	cument of exemp emption been file		blic agency appro	oving the proje	ect? Yes
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Signatur	·e		— — Date	<u> </u>	– —— Title		

## **Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District Finding of Exemption**

Project Title: Common Landowner Transfer of up to 4,000 AF of TLBWSD 2024 State Water Project Water to Kern County Water Agency.

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District (District) will transfer up to 4,000 AF of its 2024 State Water Project Water to Kern County Water Agency for Sandridge Partners Inc. who farms in both districts. The transfer will be completed in 2024. The lands have been actively farmed in the past.

Entity or Person Undertaking Project: Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District Cameron Batth

1001 Chase Avenue Corcoran, CA 93212 559-992-4127

**Recommendation**: Staff, having undertaken and completed a review of this project for CEQA compliance, has determined that this project does not require further environmental assessment because:

	1. The proposed action does not constitute a project (Guidelines, section 15378).
	2. This project is a ministerial project (Guidelines, sections 15369, 15268).
	3. The project is an emergency project (Guidelines, sections 15269, 15359).
_X	<ol> <li>The project is categorically exempt (Guidelines, Article 19, sections 15300-15329)</li> <li>A. Applicable Exemption Class: 1</li> </ol>
X	5. No foreseeable impacts on the environment (Guidelines, section 15061(b)(3)).
_X	6. Statutory Exemption (CA Water Code 1729).

**Brief statement of reasons why project is exempt:** TLBWSD has determined that there are no foreseeable environmental impacts. The single year transfer is also exempt from CEQA under Water Code Section 1729. Further, the transfer is categorically exempt under CEQA since it involves the use and operation of an existing facility (CEQA Guidelines 15301).

Name of Lead Agency: Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District

Date: April 24, 2022

Jacob Westra, General Manger