MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:		FROM:
	Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	March Joint Powers Authority
	Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	Address: 14205 Meridian Parkway, #140 Riverside, CA 92518
	County Clerk County of: Riverside	

1.	Project Title:	GP 23-02: March JPA Environmental Justice Element
2.	Project Applicant:	March Joint Powers Authority
3.	Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	See Attached Exhibit 1
4.	(a) Project Location – March Joint Powers Authority Planning Jurisdiction:	(b) Project Location: Riverside County
5.	Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	In compliance with SB 1000, the March JPA Environmental Justice Element is a policy document for the March JPA General Plan. The project will reflect the agency's commitment to reducing environmental burdens and ensuring all residents have the opportunity to access public facilities and services that improve their quality of life. See Section III, Project Description, of Exhibit 2, CEQA Class 7/8 Categorical Exemption Report.
6.	Name of Public Agency approving project:	March Joint Powers Authority
7.	Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	March Joint Powers Authority
8.	Exempt status: (check one)	:
	(a) Ministerial project.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
	(b) Not a project.	
	(c) Emergency Project.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))

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	(d)		Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	Class 7 Categorical Exemption (CE) for Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources (CEQA Guidelines Section 15307) and Class 8 CE for Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment (CEQA Guidelines Section 15308).		
	(e)		Declared Emergency.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))		
	(f)		Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:			
	(g)		Other. Explanation:			
9.	Reason why project was exempt:			The proposed Environmental Justice Element to the March JPA General Plan meets all criteria for a Class 7 and Class 8 CEs pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15307 and 15308. Further, none of the exceptions enumerated under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the proposed project. Please see the attached Exhibit 2.		
10.	Lead Agency Contact Person:			Dan Fairbanks, Planning Director		
	Telephone:			(951) 656-7000		
11.	If filed by applicant: Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form "B") before filing.					
12.	Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ■ Yes □ No					
13.	Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? ■ Yes □ No					
If yes, the date of the public hearing was: April 24, 2024						
Signatu	re:	Da	m Sailanks	Date:_4/25/24 Title: Planning Director		
Name:	Dan Fair	rbanks				
Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant						
Date Received for Filing:						
(Clerk Stamp Here)						

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.