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California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Project Name: Rehabilitation of the Whitewater Erosion Protection Structure

Project Location - Specific: Whitewater River, approximately 3/4-mile north of Interstate 10

Project Location - City: Unincorp. Riverside County **Project Location - County:** Riverside

Description of Project: Rehabilitation of erosion control structure at Whitewater River by removing damaged shotcrete and gabion and installing 1-ton and 8-ton boulders and grout. Large boulders will also be stored on site for future repair of structure due to damage from heavy rains.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California


Exempt Status: (check as applicable)

- Ministerial (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines
- Not a Project (Public Resources Code § 21065, State CEQA Guidelines § 15378)
- Declared Emergency (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines §15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(2); State CEQA Guidelines §15269(b))
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines §15269(c))
- Categorical Exemption
- Statutory Exemption, State CEQA Guidelines §15269
- Other, State CEQA Guidelines

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed action is exempt from the requirements of CEQA because the purpose is to repair the existing grade control structure at Whitewater River that was damaged as a result of an extreme rain event which was proclaimed an emergency by the Governor (dated February 21, 2019) pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code. In addition, the proposed action consists of emergency repairs to a publicly owned service facility necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare, and is necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

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Unincorporated Riverside County- Rehabilitation of the Whitewater Erosion Protection Structure



- Pipelines, Siphons
- Canals, Open Channels
- Tunnels, Adits
- Service Connections
- Other Agency
- Appurtenances

Project area

Google Earth

Imagery Date: 8/26/2018 33°53'07.16" N 116°37'57.12" W elev 0 ft eye alt 22847 ft