

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning & Research
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Lead Agency/Applicant Name:
Kern-Tulare Water District (Public Agency)
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1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor
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To: Tulare County Clerk-Recorder
221 S. Mooney Blvd., Room 103
Visalia, CA 93291-4593

Project Title: 2019 Kern-Tulare Water Transfer Agreement

Location -- Specific: Within the boundaries of the West Stanislaus Irrigation District, and Kern-Tulare Water District and within the Delta-Mendota Canal, Sun Luis Reservoir, and the California Aqueduct.

Location -- County: Stanislaus County, Tulare County and Kern County.

Description of Activity: West Stanislaus Irrigation District will make up to 20,000 AF of Central Valley Project water available to Kern-Tulare Water District – conveyed through the Delta-Mendota Canal, and San Luis Canal to Kern-Tulare Water District in 2019. This transfer is well within the historical actions taken by West Stanislaus.

Name of Public Agencies Approving or Carrying Out Activity: Kern-Tulare Water District

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption
- Statutory Exemption

The project is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Here, continuation of West Stanislaus' annual transfer of CVP water to other districts is a continuation of the status quo, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, the activity is not subject to CEQA. (CEQA Guidelines, §15061.).

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Date: 7/11/19

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

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