

# Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk  
County of: Kern  
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From: (Public Agency): Palmdale Water District  
2029 East Ave Q  
Palmdale, CA 93550

(Address)

Project Title: Water Exchange: Palmdale Water District and Kern County Water Agency

Project Applicant: Palmdale Water District

Project Location - Specific:  
Palmdale Water District(PWD) and Kern County Water Agency(KCWA) are both State Water Project (SWP) contractors. PWD is located in Los Angeles County and AVEK in Los Angeles and Kern Counties.

Project Location - City: Various Project Location - County: Kern, Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
PWD will exchange up to 15,000 AF of PWD's 2019 Table A allocation with KCWA. The water will be delivered for the beneficial use of KCWA's customers. In exchange prior to January 1, 2030 KCWA will repay PWD one AF of water for every two AF delivered via this exchange. All water will be delivered using existing SWP Facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: PWD, KCWA and Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: PWD, KCWA and Department of Water Resources

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1(b), Section 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_


Reasons why project is exempt:

1. The exchange between PWD and KCWA will use existing SWP facilities only.
2. KCWA is serving existing customers and land uses with this exchange water.
3. PWD does not have an intended use for the water being exchanged, during the relevant time period.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Peter Thompson II Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (661) 456-1042

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature:  Date: 9-16-19 Title: Deputy Water Resource M

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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