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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Kern
1115 Truxtun Ave
Bakersfield CA, 93301-4639

From: (Public Agency): Littlerock Creek ID
35141 87th Street East
Littlerock CA 93543
(Address)

Project Title: Water Exchange: Littlerock Creek ID and Kern County Water Agency

Project Applicant: Littlerock Creek Irrigation District

Project Location - Specific:
Littlerock Creek ID(LCID) and Kern County Water Agency(KCWA)

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

LCID will Exchange up to 1208 AF of LCID's 2019 Table A allocation with KCWA.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: LCID, 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));
[X] 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 LCID and KCWA will use existing SWP facilities only.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: James Chaisson Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 661-944-2015

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: [Signature] Date: 9-18-2019 Title: General Manager

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:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research
SEP 23 2019
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Project Location – Specific:

Littlerock Creek Irrigation District (LCID) and Kern County Water Agency are both State Water Project (SWP) contractors. LCID is located in Los Angeles County and KCWA is located in Kern County.

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

LCID will exchange up to 1208 AF of LCID's Table An 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 LCID one AF of water for every two AF delivered via this exchange. All water will be delivered using existing SWP Facilities.

Reasons why project is exempt:

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