

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
1416 9th Street, Sacramento CA 95814

County Clerk
County of

(Address)

Project Title: Bethany Tree Removal

Project Location - Specific:

Bethany Reservoir. Bruns Rd and Christensen Road. 37.7821° N, 121.6124° W

Project Location - City: Byron

Project Location - County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR will remove eucalyptus trees at Bethany Reservoir along the downstream slope of Bethany Dams crest road. A total of 31 trees will be cut at ground level. Tree roots below the ground surface will be left in place. All trees greater than 3" in diameter at chest height, will be removed at the ground surface. All parts of the removed tree will be ground/chipped on site, then hauled off the project site to an approved disposal site. Staging will be on existing roadways. All work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: 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, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301 (b)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and important services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves routine maintenance activities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. Since this activity will be implemented without any significant environmental impacts, the Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Sara Paiva-Lowry
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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: 10/23/19 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- [X] Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:
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