

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: San Luis Field Division (SLFD) Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Center Unit Substation Replacement

Project Location - Specific:

San Luis O&M Center, San Luis Reservoir, Gonzaga Rd, Basalt Rd, Hwy 152.

Project Location - City: Los Banos

Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR shall have a Contractor replace an electrical substation unit at SLFD. Secondary generators will be used by DWR during the duration of the project for electricity. The new unit shall fit on the existing concrete pad. New components will be trucked to location and stored onsite. A forklift or mobile crane will be used to move large components. A formed plastic diamond plate pedestrian ramp will be placed over conduit crossing the existing pad. Any necessary cuttings shall be disposed onsite in refuse containers. 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 2 (b), Replacement or Reconstruction, Section No. 15302
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 replacement of an existing end-of-service substation and will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. The Categorical Exemption Class 2 (b) will be used for CEQA compliance since this activity can be implemented without any serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Sara Paiva-Lowry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 653-9342

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: 12/13/19 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- [X] Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:

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