

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: East Branch Maintenance Outage Project

Project Location - Specific:

Devil Canyon (DC) Power Plant, approximately 5 miles north of the City of San Bernardino.

Project Location - City: San Bernardino Project Location - County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the project is to operate the DC 2nd Afterbay Wasteway gates as part of an annual inspection. Both gates will be opened fully and then closed as part of an annual gate exercise. Water will be discharged into the wasteway channel, which flows into the nearby unnamed drainage that runs parallel to North Ventura Avenue. Water quality monitors will be present onsite and water will be discharged in accordance to the General De Minimis Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Surface Waters Permit.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California 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 Facility, Section No. 15301
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt because it involves routine maintenance of an existing State Water Project facility without disturbance to an environmental resource. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. Because this activity can be implemented without environmental impacts, the Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance.

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: 12/17/19 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant
Date received for filing at OPR: [Date]

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