

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**

Governor's Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812

**FROM:**

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Financial Assistance  
1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:** 2020040146

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 3610039-052C

**PROJECT TITLE:** Seismic Upgrades for Devore, Sycamore No. 1, Del Rosa No. 3, and Terrace No. 3 Reservoirs (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Project is located at four separate locations throughout the City of San Bernardino, California in San Bernardino County:

- Devore Reservoir at 18367 Cajon Boulevard, San Bernardino, CA
- Sycamore Reservoir No.1 at 5879 North H Street, San Bernardino, CA
- Del Rosa Reservoir No. 3 at 2000 Foothill Drive East, San Bernardino, CA
- Terrace Reservoir No. 3 at 2500 West Baseline Street, San Bernardino, CA

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes seismic upgrades to protect steel water reservoirs at four locations. These locations include the Devore Reservoir, Sycamore Reservoir No. 1, Del Rosa Reservoir No. 3, and Terrace Reservoir No.3. Upgrades include four primary components: 1. Installation of a series of steel bands around the portions of the reservoirs that are overstressed. Coating will be removed prior to installation and will be restored after installation. 2. Installation of a perimeter reinforced concrete ring wall foundation and anchoring of the reservoirs to prevent uplift to resist seismic forces. 3. Increase roof height and interior column height within the reservoir by adding steel plates to the top of the reservoir to prevent sloshing waves from impacting roof-framing members. 4. Modification of piping connections to the reservoirs to decrease the vulnerability of rupturing by adding flexible joints.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on April

11, 2022 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department will be carrying out the Project.

**CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

**Class 1: Existing Facilities**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15301)

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project entails maintenance of water supply reservoirs, and involves operation, repair, maintenance, minor alteration of existing structures, facilities and mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Miguel J. Guerrero

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A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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