

# Notice of Exemption

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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

(Address)

County Clerk  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: California Aqueduct (CAAQ) Canal Liner Repairs (OM-SFD-2020-001)

Project Location - Specific:

34°30'40.63"N 117°55'14.33"W

CROSS STREETS: HWY 138 and 116th St E

Project Location – City: Lebec Project Location – County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR and Contractor will repair the CAAQ. Panel liner repair work will include use of a long reach excavator to remove panels. Dump trucks will be used to haul spoils to be disposed of at nearest waste facility. Staging will be on the existing roadway for the CAAQ. Work will include filling voids in and behind the CAAQ liner. Voids will be filled with compacted soil aggregate, concrete, or neat cement grout injected by a high-pressure pump truck. All void filling will be waterside. Work will include repairing erosion damage, installing new water stops, concrete panels, and joint sealants. 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));
- 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. Because this activity can 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 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: Sara Paiva-Lowry Date: 8/10/2020 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_
- Signed by Applicant

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