

# Notice of Exemption

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<b>TO:</b> Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  San Bernardino County Clerk San Bernardino County 385 N Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92415	<b>FROM:</b> Yucaipa Valley Water District 12770 Second Street Yucaipa, CA 92399  DATE FILED & POSTED Posted On: <u>10/29/2020</u>
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COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
CALIFORNIA

Project Title: Reservoir 17.1.1 and Reservoir 17.1.2  
Project Applicant: Yucaipa Valley Water District  
Project Location – Specific: APN 032024109

Removed On: 12/10/2020  
Receipt No: 3610292020-586

The project is located in Yucaipa at the terminus of Jefferson Street. 33°4'27.12"N, 117° 0'57.33"W  
Project Location – City: Yucaipa Project Location – County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:  
The project includes removal of the existing two drinking water reservoirs (bolted steel tanks) and installing two new reservoirs within the existing graded pad at the current site. The existing tanks both have a diameter of 38 feet, with a height of 24 feet. The proposed replacement tanks will be adjusted in size to meet current seismic design criteria as well as increase the available fire storage. One replacement tanks will remain 38 feet diameter and increase 8 feet in height to meet current code. The second tank will increase 17 feet in diameter and 8 feet in height to meet current code and increase fire storage. The purpose of this project is to replace tanks that are at the end of their useful life. This site provides drinking water and fire protection to a residential community at the base of the foothills adjacent to the recent El Dorado wild fire.

Name of Public Agency approving project: Yucaipa Valley Water District  
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Matt Porras

- Exempt status: (check one)
- (a)  Ministerial project.
  - (b)  Not a project.
  - (c)  Emergency Project.
  - (d)  Categorical Exemption. 15302 (c.) Replacement or Reconstruction and 15061 (b.) 3 Review for Exemption  
State type and class number:
  - (e)  Declared Emergency.
  - (f)  Statutory Exemption.  
State Code section number:
  - (g)  Other. Explanation:

Reason why project was exempt:  
The reservoir replacement is exempt from CEQA because the project is a replacement of an existing facility. The replacement facility will only have a negligible increase in size relative to the existing footprint. The slight increase in volume will serve the existing population in the form of fire protection and does not change the use or application of the facility. The construction will take place on the previously graded pad.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Joe Zoba Telephone: 909-797-5119

### 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: 10.28.2020 Title: IMPLEMENTATION MANAGER

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant Date Received for filing at OPR Governor's Office of Planning & Research

## RESOLUTION NO. 2020-56

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE YUCAIPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT APPROVING A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WATER STORAGE RESERVOIR 17.1.1 AND WATER STORAGE RESERVOIR R-17.1.2

WHEREAS, the Yucaipa Valley Water District (the "District") is a public agency of the State of California organized and existing pursuant to the provisions of the County Water District Law of this State (Section 30000, et seq. of the Water Code); and

WHEREAS, the District is responsible for the maintenance of water and wastewater facilities within the District's service area; and

WHEREAS, the District will complete a design for the replacement of Reservoir 17.1.1 and 17.1.2 recognizing the need to upgrade aging infrastructure. The reservoir replacement will take place at the same location as the existing reservoirs.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Yucaipa Valley Water District hereby RESOLVE, DETERMINE, and ORDER as follows:

1. The Board of Directors hereby finds that approval of the Project is not subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code §21000 et seq. and the State CEQA Guidelines, California. Article 5, 15062 Notice of Exemption
2. The replacement of Reservoir 17.1.1 and 17.1.2 is classified as Article 19, Categorical Exemption, 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction, (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. In addition 15061. Review for Exemption, (3) where the Project can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.
3. The Board of Directors hereby directs District staff to file a Notice of Exemption for the project within five working days of approval of the Reservoir 17.1.1 and 17.1.2 Replacement Project.
3. The Board of Directors hereby approves the Reservoir 17.1.1 and 17.1.2 Replacement Project and directs the General Manager to file the Notice of Exemption with the County of San Bernardino and the Office of Planning and Research.

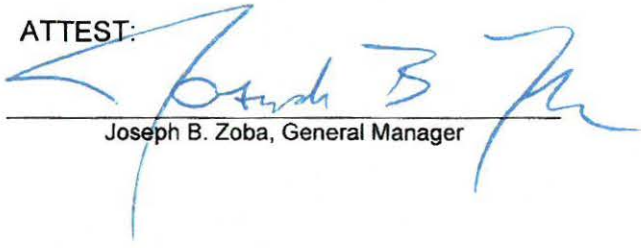
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020.

YUCAIPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT



Chris Mann, President Board of Directors

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joseph B. Zoba", written over a horizontal line.

Joseph B. Zoba, General Manager