

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of: Ventura
800 S Victoria Ave
Ventura, CA 93009

From: (Public Agency): City of Santa Paula
866 East Main Street
Santa Paula, CA 93060
(Address)

Project Title: Santa Paula Advanced Treatment System Project

Project Applicant: City of Santa Paula

Project Location - Specific:
921 Calpipe Road

Project Location - City: Santa Paula Project Location - County: Ventura

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The City's WRF consistently meets all requirements except the effluent limitation for chloride. The project would address chloride issues by adding an advanced treatment system to the existing WRF site, which would treat 2,500 to 3,000 acre-feet per year and reduce chloride concentrations in treated effluent to achieve a final chloride concentration below the limitation. The proposed reverse osmosis system would be installed in an approximately 10,000-square-foot building at the WRF.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Santa Paula

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Santa Paula

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: CEQA (Sec. 15301, Sec.15303, Sec. 15330)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project includes the construction and operation of advanced water treatment equipment on the existing WRF site. No increase in wastewater treatment capacity is planned. Therefore, the Class 1 exemption is applicable. The advanced treatment system building footprint would be relatively small (10,000 square feet), and would be consistent with the existing infrastructure at the WRF site. Therefore, the Class 3 exemption is applicable. The purpose of the proposed project is to provide water treatment to address high concentrations of chloride in groundwater. The overall objective is to enable final compliance with the Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R4-2018-0022 and a CDO for chloride concentration (Order No. R4-2018-0023). Therefore, the Class 30 exemption is applicable.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Clete Saunier Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (805) 933-4212 / ext. 314

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? [X] Yes [] No

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 10/12/2020 Title: PUBLIC WORKS DIR.

[X] Signed by Lead Agency [] Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: