

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Solano, San Joaquin
and Contra Costa

From: (Public Agency): Department of Water Resources
PO Box 942836, 1416 9th St
Sacramento, CA 94236

(Address)

Project Title: Delta Seismic Study

Project Applicant: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

Project Location - Specific:

Three different locations throughout the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) in Solano, San Joaquin and Contra Costa counties. See attached figures.

Project Location - City: Various Project Location - County: Various

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Drilling to a depth of approx. 100-150 feet below ground surface in three different locations throughout the Delta using a Cone Penetrometer Test (CPT) drill rig. Locations are adjacent to existing seismic monitoring stations to collect data in support of the development of a seismic response model for the Delta.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: DWR

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DWR

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 6 (15306)
- 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 basic data collection for resource evaluation. This project will not result in impacts to special species or habitat, cultural resources, or any other resource areas. As such, the Categorical Exemption Class 6 will be used for CEQA compliance.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Jason Duda Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-716-6076

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: *Jason M. Kattel* Date: 11/19/2020 Title: Chief, DOE

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: _____