

**Notice of Exemption****Form D**

**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: Seismic Monitoring Station Installations MP 130 and Check 21 (OM-SLFD-2020-005)

Project Location - Specific:

MP 130 (36°29'13.36" N, 120°19'55.02" W), Check 21 (36° 0' 43.93" N, 119° 58' 32.90" W)

Project Location – City: \_\_\_\_\_ Project Location – County: Fresno and Kings

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR will install new seismic stations near the CAAQ at MP 130 and Check 21. The stations will have a 35 by 10 ft concrete pad with 15 ft tall metal tower with solar and radio telemetry, approx. 20 ft of buried 2-in PVC conduit, and a 4 ft high chain link fence around the perimeter. A 10-inch diameter boring will place the sensor within the footprint of the concrete pad. Transportation will be heavy duty flatbed pickups and trailers. Concrete will be mixed onsite using a skid steer. Equipment will be staged along existing roadways. Stations will be within DWR right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water ResourcesName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water ResourcesExempt 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(m)
- 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 minor work activities to appurtenant structures under the supervision of the Department of Water Resources. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat without any significant environmental impacts.

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: 12/1/2020 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

 Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

 Signed by Applicant

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