

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Mendocino and
Sonoma

From: (Public Agency): State Water Resources Control
Board - Division of Water Rights
P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812
(Address)

Project Title: Temporary Urgency Change Petition of Water Right Permit 12947A

Project Applicant: Sonoma County Water Agency

Project Location - Specific:
The upper Russian River (from its confluence with the East Fork of the Russian River to confluence with Dry Creek)

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Mendocino and Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
Sonoma County Water Agency filed a temporary urgency change petition with the Division of Water Rights on January 13, 2021 in response to dry conditions in the Russian River watershed. The petition requests to use an alternative hydrologic index based on Lake Mendocino storage values instead of Lake Pillsbury inflow.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sonoma County Water Agency

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: Sections: 15301, 15307, and 15308
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
Please see attached.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Jane Ling Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-341-5335

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:  Date: 2/4/2021 Title: Dep. Director

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: _____