

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research Post Office Box 3044 Sacramento, California 95812	From: Department of Water Resources State Water Project Analysis Office 1416 9 th Street Sacramento, California 95814
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Project Title: Conveyance of up to an additional 500 acre-feet of 2020 Central Valley Project Cross Valley Water to Kern County Water Agency (SWPAO #20031-A)

Location – Specific: From O’Neill Forebay to Kern County Water Agency’s (KCWA) turnout(s) located within Reaches 10A through 13B of the California Aqueduct

Location – County: Kern County

Description of Activity: SWPAO #20031-A amends the Letter Agreement between KCWA and the Department of Water Resources of the State of California (DWR) executed on September 25, 2020 (SWPAO #20031).

SWPAO #20031 sets forth the terms and conditions for the conveyance of up to 2,000 acre-feet of 2020 Central Valley Project (CVP) Cross Valley water (Non-Project Water) to KCWA, on behalf of its member unit, Belridge Water Storage District. This Non-Project Water was acquired from Tulare Irrigation District, a Friant Division CVP Contractor. The United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) would make the Non-Project Water available at O’Neill Forebay for subsequent delivery by DWR to KCWA’s service area for use within Belridge’s CVP place of use by February 28, 2021.

SWPAO #20031-A amends SWPAO #20031 by allowing the conveyance of up to an additional 500 acre-feet of Non-Project Water to KCWA’s turnout(s).

Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying out Activity: KCWA (lead agency), and DWR (responsible agency)


Exempt Status:

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption: Class 1; CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, existing facility
- Statutory Exemption: California Water Code Section 1729

Reason why activity is exempt:

- a. State Water Project long-term water supply contract includes provisions for conveyance of non-project water to SWP contractors.
- b. No construction is required to implement the proposed delivery.
- c. The facilities are existing facilities that have not been expanded or modified to implement the proposed change in points of delivery.
- d. There will be no change in land use.

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