

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**

Governor's Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812

**FROM:**

State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Financial Assistance  
1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:** 2021020015

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 1510012-008C

**PROJECT TITLE:** Well No. 13 Replacement Project (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 7616 Hall Road, Lamont, California, Kern County 93241

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes construction of a replacement well for the existing Well No. 13, site development, a 250,000-gallon storage tank, granular activated carbon treatment for 1,2,3-TCP removal, booster pumps, hydropneumatic tank, electrical and controls, below-ground piping, and an emergency generator. The existing Well No. 13 facility will be removed from the site and the well will be abandoned in place.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on February 19, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Lamont Public Utility District will be carrying out the Project.

**STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:**

**Emergency Projects (Declared Emergency, Emergency Repairs, Emergency Prevention/Mitigation)**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15269)

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project involves emergency repairs to service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety, or welfare. It will also include the

installation of new pipeline not exceeding one mile in length as set forth in section 21080.21 of the Public Resources Code.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Lamont Public Utility District

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Scott Taylor

**PHONE NUMBER:** (661)-845-1213

A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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