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### **Notice of Exemption Submittal**

February 18, 2021

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Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 212  
Sacramento, California 95814

Project Name: **Lake Skinner Outlet Tower Shutdown**

Filing As:  Lead Agency  Responsible Agency

Contact Person: Daniel Cardoza at (213) 217-5602

Enclosures:  Original NOE  
 Location Map

Comments: In accordance with §15062 of the State of California Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act, this NOE is provided for posting by your office for a period of 30 days.



## California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Exemption

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 212  
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**From:** The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
P.O. Box 54153  
Los Angeles, California 90054-0153

**Project Name:** Lake Skinner Outlet Tower Shutdown

**Project Location - Specific:** Dewatering discharge to occur at the Lake Skinner Outlet Tower to repair and service valves and hydraulic control lines (see attached location map).

**Project Location - City:** Unincorporated Riverside County    **Project Location - County:** Riverside

**Description of Project:** Metropolitan proposes to dewater and shut down the Lake Skinner Outlet Tower to repair and service valves and accompanying hydraulic control lines. The tower must be dewatered to perform the required repairs and service activities.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

**Exempt Status:** (check as applicable)

- Ministerial (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Declared Emergency (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(2); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Categorical Exemption, Class 1, State CEQA Guidelines §15301
- Statutory Exemption, State CEQA Guidelines
- Other, State CEQA Guidelines

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The proposed project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographic features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Daniel Cardoza (213) 217-5602

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Jennifer Harriger, Unit Manager, Environmental Planning Section  
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Date received for filing:

# Lake Skinner Outlet Tower Shutdown

Project Location

