

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, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2021040088

PROJECT NUMBER: 1210019-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Hydesville County Water District Water System Improvements (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: At the Hydesville County Water District's existing well & treatment site directly east of the intersection of Fisher Lane and Highway 36 in Hydesville, CA 95547 in Humboldt County

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 referred to internally as Hydesville County Water District Water System Improvements. The Project includes determining site suitability for a potential new water treatment building and/or wellhead building. The Applicant will conduct a geotechnical investigation to evaluate subsurface conditions. This includes the drilling of test wells, geotechnical borings and backhoe pit tests. Test wells will evaluate groundwater availability.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on August 19, 2022 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Hydesville County Water District will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

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 qualifies for exemption because it involves basic data

collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: Hydesville County Water District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Austin Evans

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th 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.

Signature: _____

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