

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination

City of Palo Alto (Applicant)
Secondary Treatment Upgrades (Project)
Project Number: 8609-110

As the Deputy Director for the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Financial Assistance, I have been delegated the authority to approve and execute the financing agreement for projects that are routine and non-controversial. The execution of the financing agreement is an action that is subject to CEQA. The authority to make this CEQA determination necessarily accompanies the delegation to approve and execute the financing agreement for this Project. I hereby find the following:

1. The Applicant is the CEQA Lead Agency and the State Water Board is a Responsible Agency under CEQA. The Applicant approved a Notice of Exemption (NOE) for the Project on January 11, 2021, and filed an NOE with the Santa Clara County Clerk on March 9, 2021 and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse (No. 2021040051) on April 2, 2021.
2. This Project is categorically exempt under the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, sections 15301, 15302, 15303. The Project involves upgrades including repairs and minor alterations, replacement or reconstruction, as well as construction of a limited number of new small facilities or structures.
3. The Project will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts.

A final copy of the NOE and record of financing approval for the Project are available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.

4/28/2022

Joe Karkoski, Deputy Director
Division of Financial Assistance

Date