

Notice of Exemption

Form D

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
1416 9th Street, Sacramento CA 95814

(Address)

County Clerk
County of _____

Project Title: Physical Security Modernization Project - Bethany Drilling Exploration 2021 (OM-DFD-2021-007-Beth7)

Project Location - Specific:

Bethany Reservoir. Coordinates: 37°47'3.97"N, 121°37'16.94"W. Cross Streets: Kelso Rd and Bruns Road

Project Location – City: _____ Project Location – County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR shall perform exploration drilling at one location near Bethany Reservoir (BR) for subsurface sampling. A borehole greater than five feet and dry will be backfilled with a cement-bentonite mixture. If groundwater is encountered the boring will be backfilled from the bottom-up. Boring five feet or less will be backfilled with drill cuttings. Waste generated from drilling activities will be contained and placed in drums for disposal at an approved waste facility. Work and staging area will be at the BR parking lot on paved surfaces. All work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 6, Information Collection, Section No. 15306
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and important services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves data collection activities for a safe water supply. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. Because this activity can be implemented without any significant environmental impacts, the Categorical Exemption Class 6 will be used for CEQA compliance.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Sara Paiva-Lowry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 653-9342

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Sara Paiva-Lowry Date: 4/9/2021 Title: Chief, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____
- Signed by Applicant

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