## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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1.	Activity Title:	Authorization of the SCV Water Board of Directors to the General Manager to Execute an Amendment extending the Terms of the Agreement with the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District by the SCV Water General
2.	Lead agency approving the activity:	Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road Santa Clarita, CA 91350
3.	Activity Location:	The Execution of the Amendment has no specific location as it does not entail construction, development, or any other activity that could potentially result in a significant environmental impact.
4.	Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Activity:	The existing July 24, 1996 recycled water purchase agreement incorporated a term of 25-years. It was entered into by one of SCVWA's predecessor agencies, Castaic Lake Water Agency as well as SCVSD predecessor agencies County Sanitation Districts Nos. 26 and 32. The amendment would update the participants' information as well as extend the term by five-years. The pricing for recycled water will be fixed at the current rate of \$167 per acre-foot, subject to Cost-of-Living Index adjustment that would be capped at a maximum of five percent per year.
		The amendment would also prohibit SCVSD from selling recycled water to other entities.
5.	Exempt status:	
	Not an approval of a project.	State CEQA Guidelines sections 15378(a)
	Statutory exemption.	
	Common sense exemption.	State CEQA Guidelines section 15061, subd. (b)(3)
6.	Reason why activity was exempt:	The Board of Directors authorization does not qualify as a "project" subject to CEQA because it does not have a potential to result in either a direct, or reasonably foreseeable indirect, physical change in the environment. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15378(a)).
		Furthermore, the BOD's authorization is exempt from

	CEQA under the common sense exemption set forth in State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. None of the exceptions to this exemption identified in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 exist here.		
Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? Yes <u>x</u> No If yes, the date of the public hearing was: April 20, 2021			
7. Public Agency Contact Person:	Rick Vasilopulos		
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