

	<p>miles of pipeline from BBARWA to Stanfield Marsh, a 2,500 gallon-per-minute pumping plant to pump advance-treated water to Stanfield Marsh, and retrofitting/constructing treatment plant upgrades.</p> <p>The Sub-Grant Agreement is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). It constitutes a government funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity which does not involve any commitment to any specific project. The Sub-Grant Agreement merely constitutes an agreement by which BBARWA may obtain funds from IRWM to cover the costs it has incurred or will incur in connection with the Replenish Big Bear Project. BBARWA's approval of the Sub-Grant Agreement in no way commits BBARWA to the Replenish Big Bear Project. The Sub-Grant Agreement is thus not subject to CEQA. (State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15060, subd. (c)(3), 15378, subd. (b)(4).) Even assuming the Sub-Grant Agreement is a "project" under CEQA, it will have no significant effect on the environment, as it is a government funding mechanism and is therefore covered by the common sense exemption. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15061, subd. (b)(3).)</p>
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	BBARWA and SAWPA are both signatories to the Sub-Grant Agreement. BBARWA approved the Sub-Grant Agreement and authorized negotiation and execution of the MOU on May 26, 2021.
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	BBARWA. BBARWA, GSA, DWP, CSD, and MWD are contributing funding in advance of grant fund disbursement under the Sub-Grant Agreement.
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	State CEQA Guidelines sections 15060, subd. (c)(3) & 15378, subd. (b)(4)
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))
(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	
(e) <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(f) <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3)
9. Reason why project was exempt:	<p>BBARWA approved the Sub-Grant Agreement on May 26, 2021. The Sub-Grant Agreement is exempt from, and otherwise not subject to, CEQA for the following reasons.</p> <p>First, the Sub-Grant Agreement is not subject to CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines section 15060, which provides that "[a]n activity is not subject to CEQA if ... [t]he activity is not a project as defined in [State CEQA Guidelines] Section 15378." (State CEQA Guidelines, §</p>

