

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: N/A

PROJECT NUMBER: 1500475-003C

PROJECT TITLE: Meter Installation, Well Site Improvements and Generator Installation Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located along Lebec Road and Lebec Oaks Road and various secondary roadways in a rural residential neighborhood known as Los Padres Estates, within the unincorporated community of Lebec, Kern County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is the Lead Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes the installation of water meters and meter boxes as well as the replacement of service valves and water lines across approximately 3.56 linear miles within the service area of the Krista Mutual Water Company. The well pump motor and associated electrical components will be replaced. A generator, that is approximately 100 kilowatts, will be installed within the project site for emergency use.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on June 7, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Krista Mutual Water Company will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15302)

Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on the environment. The Project involves replacement of water meters and water supply distribution lines of substantially the same size. Also, includes the installation of small new equipment and construction of water supply lines of less than 16 inches in diameter and no greater than one mile in length.

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Abbygayle Britton

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A record of 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: _____ Date: June 10, 2021

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