

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** Department of Water Resource  
State Water Project Analysis Office  
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**Project Title:** Agreement Between the Department of Water Resources of the State of California and Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for Additional Table A Water Supply (SWPAO #21009).

**Location – Specific:** From Lake Davis to Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's turnout(s) located on the Grizzly Valley Pipeline.

**Location – County:** Lake Davis and Plumas County

**Description of Activity:** In 2021, due to extreme drought conditions, DWR has allocated five percent State Water Project (SWP) Table A water to the SWP Contractors. Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's (Plumas) 2021 approved Table A supply at five percent allocation is 135 acre-feet, which is insufficient to meet Plumas's water needs in 2021. DWR will deliver to Plumas an additional 345 acre-feet, based on the availability of water supply from Lake Davis, which would provide Plumas with a total of 480 acre-feet, for use in its service area in 2021.

**Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying out Activity:** Plumas County and DWR (responsible agency)

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption: Class 1; CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, existing facility
- Statutory Exemption: Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines Section 15269 (emergency)

**Reason why activity is exempt:**

- a. The project is needed to deliver water to the areas of need in response to the drought emergency.
- b. SWP long-term water supply contracts include provisions for delivery within SWP place of use.
- c. Existing facilities will be used and no construction is required to implement the proposed delivery.
- d. There will be no change in land use.

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