



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:
Contra Costa County
Clerk - Recorder's Office
555 Escobar Street
Martinez, CA 94553

FROM: (LEAD AGENCY)
 EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
 Office of the Secretary - (510) 287-0404
 375 Eleventh Street, MS 806
 Oakland, CA 94607-4240

Lead Agency is the Project Applicant
 Lead Agency is Public Agency Approving Project
 Lead Agency is Carrying Out Project

PROJECT INFORMATION

- TITLE: Execution of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority Agreement
- LOCATION: *(City, County, and specific location)*
 City: Various County: Alameda & Contra Costa County - see Attachment A
- DESCRIPTION: This action entails the creation of a new public agency, the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA). Under the JPA, EBMUD and other potential partners would conduct the planning, design, and potentially the ultimate construction and operation of an expanded Los Vaqueros Reservoir and associated facilities. Any approval to construct or operate an expanded Los Vaqueros Reservoir would occur in the future after negotiations are complete. This action involves just the organizational step of creating the JPA so the planning and design of an expanded Los Vaqueros can be performed so that a potential expansion can be adequately described for future assessment and consideration.

EXEMPTION FINDING (Check one)


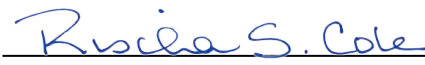
This project is exempt from CEQA because:

- Activity is not a project
- Activity is Ministerial (Sec.21080(b)(1); Guideline 15268)
- Activity is a Declared Emergency (Sec.21080(b)(3); Guideline 15269(a))
- Activity is an Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); Guideline 15269(b)(c))
- Activity is Categorically Exempt Under Guideline _____
- Activity is Statutorily Exempt Under Guideline _____
- Reasons why project is exempt: Execution of the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority and participation in the Authority's formation does not constitute a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines because it is a type of "organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment."

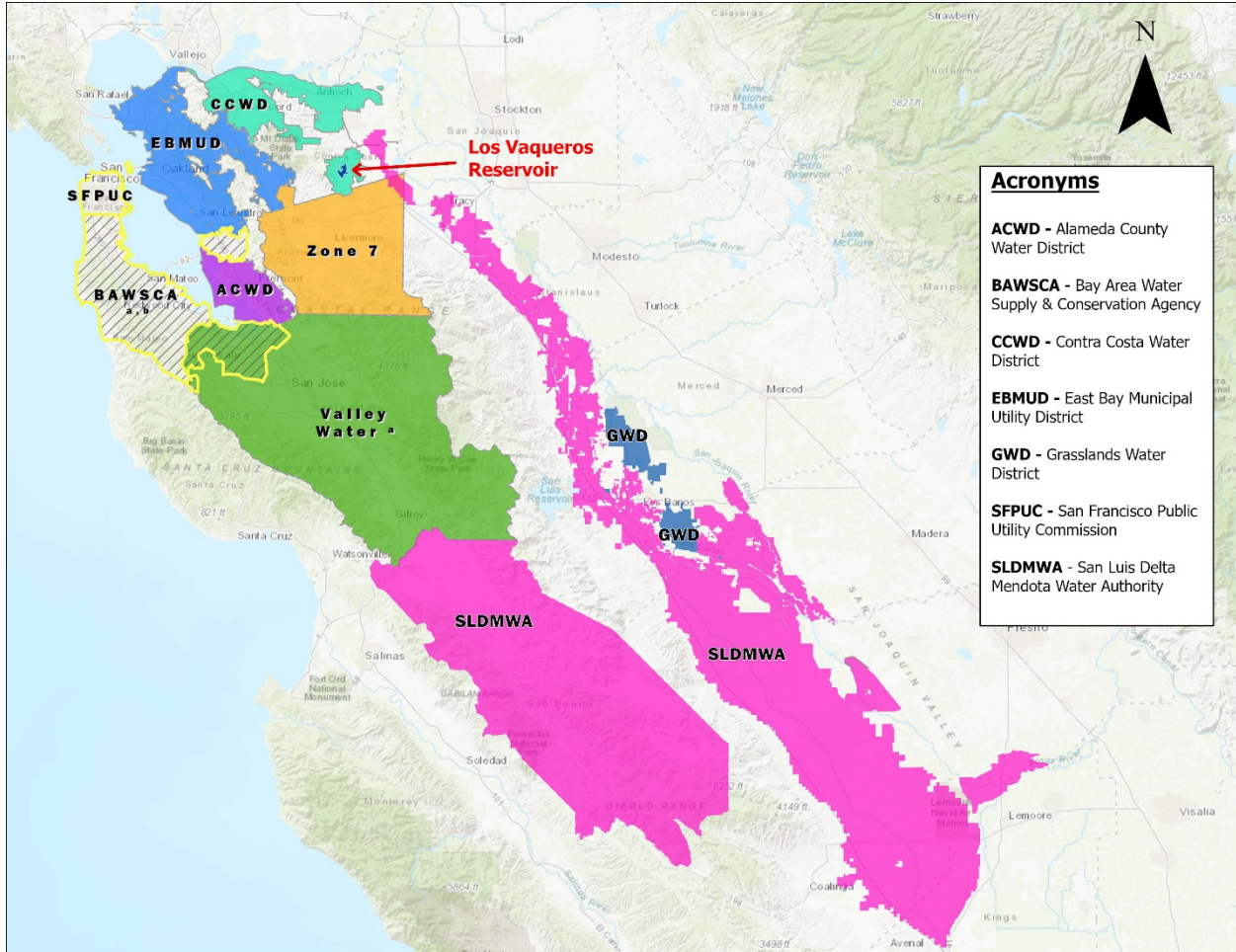
APPROVAL BY INITIATING UNIT: 455 WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENTS DIVISION

September 14, 2021	Bradley M. Ledesma	Bradley M. Ledesma
1. DATE PREPARED	2. PREPARED BY (initial)	3. REVIEWED BY (Unit Supv. initial)
Linda H. Hu		
4. RECOMMENDED BY (Division/Section Manager)		
Bradley M. Ledesma	407	Senior Civil Engineer
5. CONTACT PERSON	MAIL SLOT #	TITLE
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September 10, 2021	
DATE	DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR
9/15/21	
DATE FORWARDED TO COUNTY CLERK	SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT

**EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority**



Acronyms	
ACWD	- Alameda County Water District
BAWSCA	- Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency
CCWD	- Contra Costa Water District
EBMUD	- East Bay Municipal Utility District
GWD	- Grasslands Water District
SFPUC	- San Francisco Public Utility Commission
SLDMWA	- San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority