

County of Riverside
Peter Aldana
Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Removed: By: Deputy

Riverside County Clerk-Recorder
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92502

From: Mission Springs Water District
66575 Second Street
Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

Project Title: Horton Wastewater Treatment Plant Chopper Pumps Project

Project Location: The Horton Wastewater Treatment Plant (HWWTP) chopper pumps will be installed at the influent/headworks area of the sit which is located within the City of Desert Hot Springs. Access to the site is provided by Park Lane near the intersection of Park Lane and Verbena Drive, in the northeast 1/4 of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 5 East SBBM.

Project Location - City: City of Desert Hot Springs

Project Location - County: Riverside County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The purpose of the proposed replacement pumps are to prevent "ragging" issues within the influent pump station at the HWWTP. The proposed project consists of removing the existing submersible pumps and installing the new chopper pumps at this location on the HWWTP site and connecting the pump system into the existing treatment operations with no expansion of treatment capacity at the HWWTP. All of the above proposed activities will occur within the footprint of existing disturbed areas at the HWWTP site.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Mission Springs Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mission Springs Water District

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial (Sections 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sections 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sections 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption (Sections 21084; 15302(c))

Reasons why project is exempt: The State CEQA Guidelines provide a series of Categorical Exemptions for projects that have been deemed to have minimal impacts on the environment. The proposed replacement of the four pumps at the HWWTP facility has been determined to have no potential to cause significant adverse effects on the environment and will ensure the facility continues to operate as is, but with a safer and more efficient treatment process. Categorical Exemption Class 2 exempts "replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity." The exceptions to the issuance of categorical exemptions have been evaluated for the proposed project activities. The proposed installation and operation of the new chopper pumps has been determined not to have a potential to cause significant adverse environmental effects as a result of any of the exceptions. Therefore, this proposed action is not forecast to cause any potential for significant adverse environmental impacts and qualifies with the requirements for Class 2 exemption.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Brian Macy Telephone: (760) 329-6448

Signature: Brian E Macy
Brian E Macy (Oct 21, 2021 13:49 PDT) Title: Assistant General Manager Date: Oct 21, 2021

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - THE RESOURCES AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

Receipt #: 21-506180

State Clearinghouse # (if applicable): _____

Lead Agency: MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

Date: 10/22/2021

County Agency of Filing: RIVERSIDE

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Project Title: HORTON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CHOPPER PUMPS PROJECT

Project Applicant Name: MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT

Phone Number: (760) 329-6448

Project Applicant Address: 66575 SECOND STREET, DESERT HOT SPRING, CA 92240

Project Applicant: LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

Environmental Impact Report

Negative Declaration

Application Fee Water Diversion (State Water Resources Control Board Only)

Project Subject to Certified Regulatory Programs

County Administration Fee

Project that is exempt from fees (DFG No Effect Determination (Form Attached))

Project that is exempt from fees (Notice of Exemption)

Total Received \$50.00

Signature and title of person receiving payment



Deputy

Notes: