

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:

PROJECT NUMBER: 33449; AGREEMENT#: SWRCB0000000000D1917006

PROJECT TITLE: COMMUNITY DRIVEN WATER SOLUTIONS IN THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AND CENTRAL COAST (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Tulare

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is the Lead Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Drinking Water Program is financing the Project. The State Water Board approved funding for the Project on March 9, 2020. The Project is to provide technical assistance to develop, fund, and implement capital improvement projects and community engagement in communities. Priority will be given to small disadvantaged communities (DACs), water systems serving small DACs, or water systems experiencing serious drinking water public health issues (funding categories A-C, as defined by the Policy for Implementing the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, adopted by the State Water Board).

ENTITY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Community Water Center

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:

Feasibility and Planning Studies

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption(s) selected above and will not have a significant effect on the environment. The State Water Board made CEQA determinations and approved SAFER grant funding for the Project on the date specified below.

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Artena Kubik

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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.

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