

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
Los Angeles County
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

From: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
27234 Bouquet Canyon Road
Santa Clarita, CA 91350

To: County Clerk and Recorder
Ventura County
800 S. Victoria Ave, Location #1260
Ventura, CA 93009

Project Title: Well 201 Groundwater Treatment Facility Enhancements

Location -- Specific: The Project is located at 24050 Valenica Blvd, Valencia, CA 91355

Location -- Counties: Los Angeles County

Description of Activity:

The Well 201 Project includes the addition of GAC treatment to an existing well site with existing treatment for perchlorate. The existing site includes a well with 300 hp vertical turbine well pump (in a sound enclosure), four (4) bag filters, two (2) 12-ft. diameter ion exchange vessels in lead-lag configuration, one (1) 200 hp horizontal split-case booster pump. The existing site is enclosed (side and roof) in a slatted chain-link fence and masonry wall. The proposed project includes the addition of:

- Up to 2 (two) lead-lag trains of GAC vessels (4 vessels total), with two valve trees to connect the feed water inlet, treated water outlet, backwash in/out and to configure the vessels in lead-lag operations (each train includes one (1) valve tree). All valves on the valve tree are manual valves. Pressure and differential pressure instrumentation on the valve tree is included. Each vessel includes a pressure relief valve with a limit switch. Each GAC Vessel is 12-ft. in diameter, with a height of 26' to CL of top inlet pipe.
- New 300 hp well pump with operating point of 2,000 gpm at 450 ft. TDH.
- One (1) backwash tank with a capacity of approximately 50,000 gallons, 20-ft. diameter and 19-ft. height.
- Two backwash pumps (including 1 standby), horizontal split-case, each with a 30 hp motor and pipeline to connect backwash waste to the sanitary sewer.
- Modulating flow control valve on the treated water header.
- New piping, valving, and instrumentation to connect the VOC treatment system into the existing treatment.

Name of Public Agencies Approving or Carrying Out Activity: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Lead Agency).

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project

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- Categorical Exemption.** See CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.
- Statutory Exemption.

Reasons why activity is exempt:

The Project, aka the whole of the action, qualifies for an exemption under Class 1 Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and it concerns proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e., no additional delivery of water, beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

None of the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the action. The project environment is located within SCV Water's existing facility property.

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Signature: *Rick Vasilopoulos* **Title:** Water Resources Planner **Date:** 11/24/21

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing by County Clerk:
