


NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

<p>TO: <input type="checkbox"/> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk/ Registrar-Recorder Los Angeles County 12400 E. Imperial Highway, Rm 2001 Norwalk, CA 90650</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk and Recorder Ventura County 800 S. Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009</p>	<p>FROM: Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road Santa Clarita, CA 91350</p>
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1.	Project Title:	Resolution Authorizing the General Manager to Apply for Grant Funding Under the 2021 Urban and Multi-benefit Drought Relief Program and Execute a Grant Agreement with the Department of Water Resources for the Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project
2.	Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	APN 2826-008-028 with pipeline extending into APN 2826-008-040. See attached Figures 1 and 2 for approximate locations of proposed Saugus Formation Wells
3.	(a) Project Location – City:	N/A
	(b) Project Location – County:	Los Angeles County
4.	Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	On January 4, 2022 the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors approved a Resolution Authorizing the General Manager to Apply for Grant Funding Under the 2021 Urban and Multi-benefit Drought Relief Program and Execute a Grant Agreement with the Department of Water Resources for the Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project. This Resolution does not commit the Agency to any current or future projects, and does not entail any construction or other activity that could result in a potential physical change to the environment.
5.	Name of Public Agency approving project:	Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
6.	Name of Person or Agency carrying out project:	Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
7.	Exempt status: (check one)	
	(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	
	(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	Approval of the Resolution did not constitute an approval of the Replacement Wells Project and so is not a decision subject to CEQA.
	(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	
	(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and class number:	

(e)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Declared Emergency.	
(f)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Explanation:	
8.	Reason why project was exempt:		The Resolution authorizing the General Manager to apply for grant funding and to execute a grant agreement does not constitute a "project" under CEQA. The Board did not commit to approve or undertake the Saugus Wells 3 & 4 (Replacement Wells) Well Equipment and Site Improvement Project. The Board reserved all necessary discretionary authority to approve, deny, or condition the Replacement Wells Equipment and Site Improvement Project, including the authority to adopt any mitigation measures or alternatives necessary to avoid or substantially lessen the environmental impacts of the Project. As noted in the Resolution proposed for adoption, any approval of the Replacement Wells Equipment and Site Improvement Project itself is expressly conditioned on CEQA review. As such, approval of the Resolution did not constitute an approval of the Replacement Wells Project and so is not a decision subject to CEQA.
9.	Contact Person:	Cheryl Fowler – Management Analyst II	
	Telephone:	(661) 513-1260	
10.	Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form "A") before filing.		

Signature: 

Date: January 6, 2022

Name: Cheryl Fowler – Management Analyst II, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

Date Received for Filing: _____	_____ Signature (Lead Agency Representative)
(Clerk Stamp Here)	_____ Title