

## 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, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:** 2022010215

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 4510008-002P

**PROJECT TITLE:** Fall River Valley CSD Water System Improvements (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Cities of Fall River Mills and McArthur located in eastern Shasta county

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project referred to internally as Fall River Valley CSD Water System Improvements. The Project includes planning studies, information collection, environmental documentation, and draft plans and specification in anticipation of a future construction project. Multiple geotechnical borings may be drilled. The future construction project includes a new elevated steel tank and well improvements as well as extension of water service to properties along U.S. Highway 299, east of McArthur.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on February 28, 2024 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Fall River Valley Community Services District will be carrying out the Project.

**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 selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The project consists of planning studies, information collection utilizing multiple geotechnical borings, environmental documentation, and draft plans and specifications that will be completed in anticipation of a future construction project. No significant ground disturbing activities or construction will be completed as part of this planning project.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Fall River Valley Community Services District

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Cecil Ray

**PHONE NUMBER:** (530)-336-5263

Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16<sup>th</sup> 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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