

(e)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Declared Emergency.	
(f)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	Water Code 10728.6; Public Resources Code 21065, 21080, 21081; Guidelines 15601 [common sense]
(g)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Explanation:	
8.	Reason why project was exempt:		CEQA does not apply to the preparation and adoption of GSPs. (Water Code § 10728.6); DWR's issuance of the assessment does not represent an "approval" or "carrying out" of a "project" under CEQA. (Public Resources Code 21065, 21080, 21081); A GSA is not prohibited from implementing its GSP prior to evaluation and assessment by DWR. (Water Code 10733.4(d)); There is no possibility that DWR's issuance of the assessment may have a significant effect on the environment. (CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3)); Even if CEQA applied to the issuance of the assessment or to the GSP itself, DWR believes several other exemptions likely apply to issuance of the assessment. Furthermore, DWR could not presently conduct meaningful environmental review under CEQA because it would require speculation and conjecture; however, SGMA does not exempt projects that would implement actions taken pursuant to a GSP, and DWR therefore expects GSAs will satisfy any applicable CEQA obligations when approving or carrying out projects as part of GSP implementation.
9.	Contact Person:		Ryan Shaw
	Telephone:		951.571.7256
10.	Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form "A") before filing.		

Date Received for Filing: _____	<i>Ryan Shaw</i> _____ Signature (Lead Agency Representative)
(Clerk Stamp Here)	<u>Director of Water Resources</u> Title

PRELIMINARY EXEMPTION ASSESSMENT

(Certificate of Determination
When Attached to Notice of Exemption)

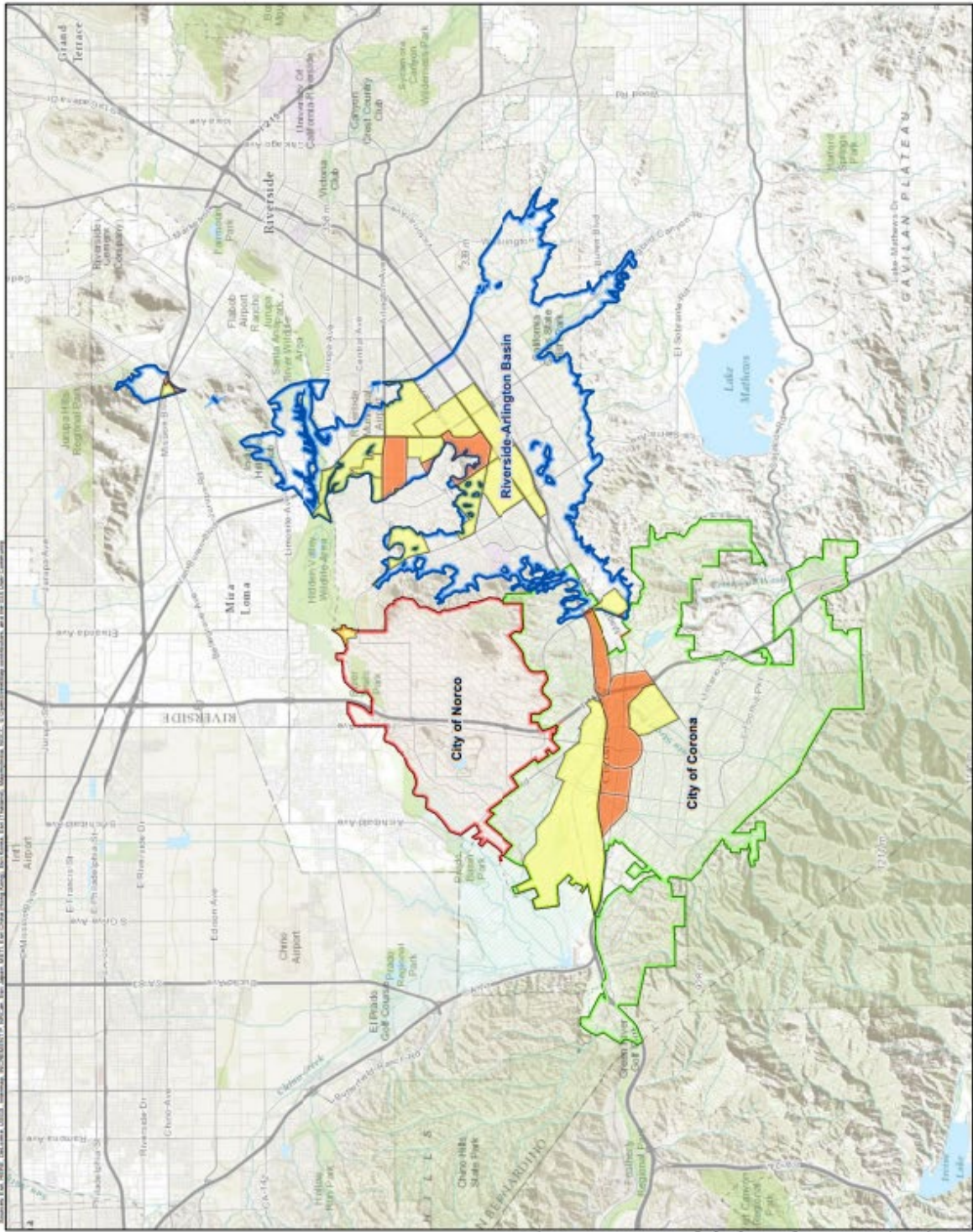
11. Name or description of project:	Arlington-Riverside Groundwater Sustainability Plan	
12. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15’ or 7 1/2’ topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	See attached map.	
13. Entity or person undertaking project:	A. Western Municipal Water District	
	B. Other (Private)	
	(1) Name	
	(2) Address	
14. Staff Determination:	<p>The Lead Agency’s Staff, having undertaken and completed a preliminary review of this project in accordance with the Lead Agency's "Local Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)" has concluded that this project does not require further environmental assessment because:</p>	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/>	The proposed action does not constitute a project under CEQA.	
(b) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project is a Ministerial Project.	
(c) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project is an Emergency Project.	
(d) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project constitutes a feasibility or planning study.	
(e) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project is categorically exempt.	
	Applicable Exemption Class:	
(f) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project is statutorily exempt.	
	Applicable Exemption:	Water Code § 10728.6
(g) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project is otherwise exempt on the following basis:	
(h) <input type="checkbox"/>	The project involves another public agency which constitutes the Lead Agency.	
	Name of Lead Agency:	

Date: February 26, 2022

Staff: Ryan Shaw

Ryan Shaw, Director of Water Resources

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INDEX MAP

Project Benefit Area

- City of Norco (9,138 acres)
- City of Corona (24,917 acres)
- Riverside-Arlington Basin (1,727 acres)
- Severely Disadvantaged Community
Census Tracts (May 2016)
4.5% of Project Benefit Area (2,314 acres)
- Disadvantaged Community
Census Tracts (May 2016)
13.4% of Project Benefit Area (6,899 acres)



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