

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: 2022020709

PROJECT NUMBER: 5410003-001P

PROJECT TITLE: City of Exeter DWSRF Planning Application (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Throughout the City of Exeter, within Tulare 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 Drinking Water System Improvement Project. The Project involves completing feasibility and planning studies for the Project, which include the following: hydrogeology evaluation, development of a hydraulic model and analysis, geotechnical services, preliminary engineering report, development of well site infrastructure and electrical systems, and water distribution system design.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on April 14, 2025 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of Exeter 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 exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project consists of feasibility and planning studies, as well as basic

data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Exeter

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Daymon Qualls

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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, 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.

Signature: _____

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