

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate  
Innovation  
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:** 2022060268

**PROJECT NUMBER:** EDWG-1000204-001C

**PROJECT TITLE:** Washington Unified School District - American Union Elementary School Well Replacement Project (Project)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 2801 W. Adams Avenue, Fresno 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 American Union Elementary School Well Replacement Project. The Project to be funded by the State Water Board includes the replacement of an existing well that produces approximately 175 gallons per minute with a well that will have the same water production rate, construction of a 10,000-gallon hydropneumatics tank, removal of an existing 5,000-gallon hydropneumatics tank and aboveground piping in an existing on-site pumphouse, and replacement of approximately 200 feet of underground galvanized pipe and valve.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT:** The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on December 19, 2024 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Washington Unified School District will be carrying out the Project.

**CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

**Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15302)

**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 involves the replacement of an existing well, hydropneumatics tank, and piping on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structures replaced.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Washington Unified School District

**LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Randy Morris

**PHONE NUMBER:** (559)-495-5600

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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