Notice of Exemption
Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: ________________

From: (Public Agency): Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin Field Division
4201 Sabodan Street, Bakersfield, CA 93313

(Appress)

Project Title: Bluestone Forebay Dewatering

Project Applicant: Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin Field Division

Project Location – Specific:
Bluestone Pumping Plant (35.707270, -120.083238 ), mile marker 19.05 of the State Water Project.

Project Location – City: Lost Hills
Project Location – County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The Department of Water Resources (DWR) San Joaquin Field Division (SJFD) plans to shut down and dewater Bluestone Pumping Plant (BLPP) forebay. This work is necessary to safely perform various maintenance activities (electrical, mechanical, corrosion protection, inspection, and cleaning). Water from BLPP will be discharged into an adjacent natural drainage. This work will begin in mid-October and last until the end of November. Dewatering activities will take approximately 7 days to complete. This project benefits the public and private sector, which depends on the California Aqueduct for water delivery.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DWR- San Joaquin Field Division

Exempt Status: (check one):
☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 (b)

Reasons why project is exempt:
This project consists of maintenance activities that support the function of the California Aqueduct and water delivery within the State Water Project.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Elizabeth Maldonado
Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 661-858-5662

If filed by applicant:
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature: Elizabeth Maldonado
Date: 06/27/2022
Title: Environmental Scientist

Revised 2011
Signed by Lead Agency

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: ___________

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