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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

- To:  Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
- County Clerk/County Recorder  
County of Fresno  
P.O. Box 766  
Fresno, CA 93712
- From:  Westlands Water District  
P.O. Box 6056  
Fresno, CA 93703

**FILED**  
JUL 26 2022  
TIME  
9:29am  
FRESNO COUNTY CLERK  
By *[Signature]*  
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**Project Title:** Grant of a Pipeline Easement

**Project Applicant:** Westlands Water District

**Project Location – Specific:** The proposed easement is in an unincorporated area in Fresno County. The project is located in the west 10 feet of the SW ¼ of Section 27 and W ½ of Section 34 in T.16S, R.16E, M.D.B.&M.

**Project Location – City:** N/A

**Project Location – County:** Fresno

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** granting an easement across land the District owned, to allow a water user to maintain an existing 15-inch diameter PVC pipeline to distribute water around his ranch, west of District owned land. The beneficiaries of the project are Westlands Water District and the Gary and Pamela Hughes Revocable Family Trust, Bypass Trust.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** WWD

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** WWD

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**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 Exemptions. CEQA Guidelines §15301.
- Statutory Exemptions.

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

Westlands Water District determined that this project will have no significant effect on the environment, and in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) because it provides for no alterations to the existing distribution line and no expansion of existing use.

**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Russ Freeman

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (559) 241-6241

**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

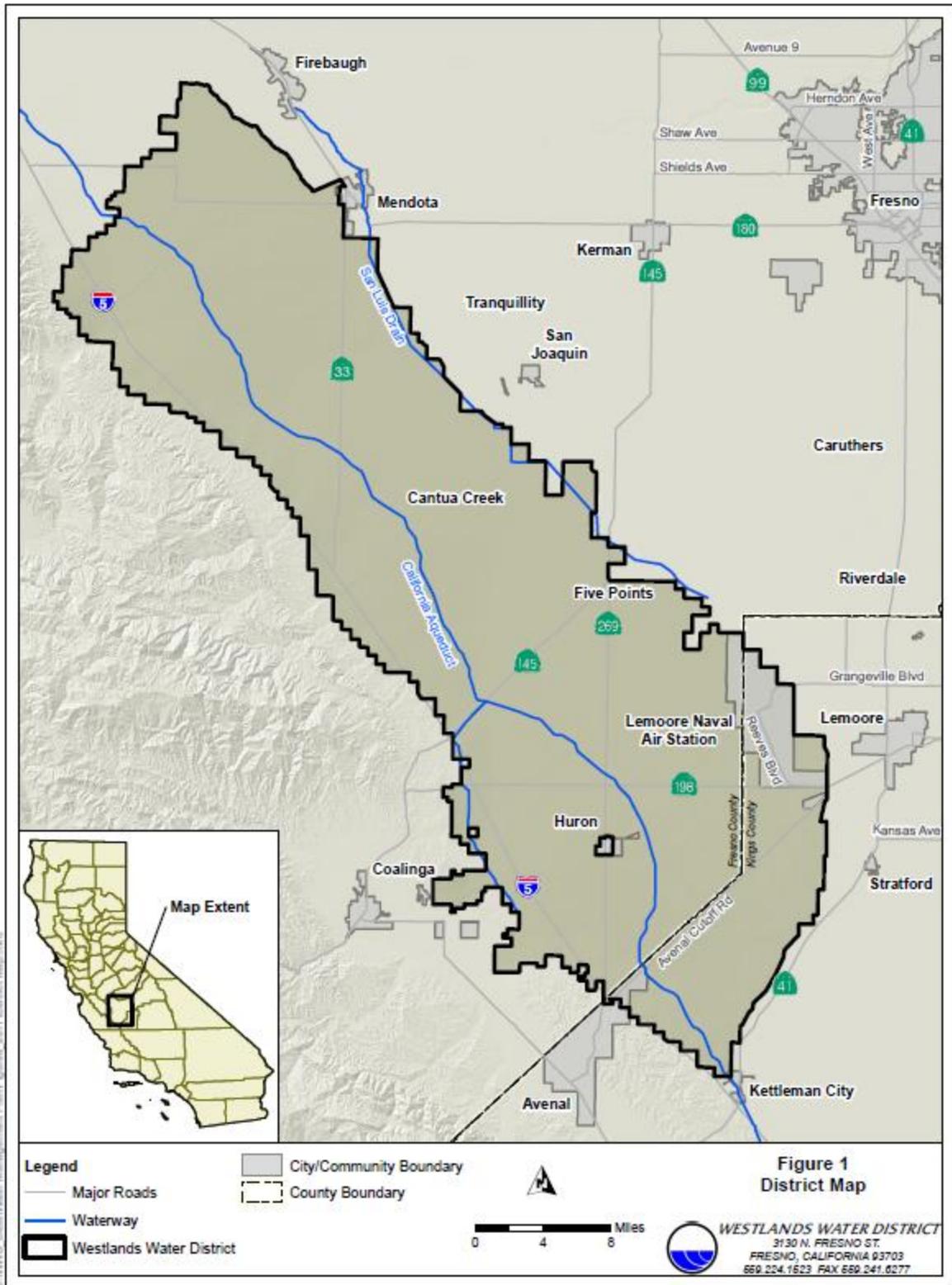
Signature:  Date: 7/25/2022 Title: Deputy General Manager Resources

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference: Sections 21108(b), 21152(b), Public Resources Code.



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 Date: 8/27/2015