

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: 2022080599

PROJECT NUMBER: EDWG 2000611-001C

PROJECT TITLE: Coarsegold Elementary Groundwater Treatment and Water Systems Improvements Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 45426 Road 415, City of Coarsegold, Madera County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is financing the Project referred to internally as Coarsegold Elementary Groundwater Treatment and Water Systems Improvements Project. The Project would upgrade components of the Coarsegold Elementary School water system to support the long-term operation of the water system and meet federal water quality standards. The Project activities include upgrading the pump and above-grade well piping and appurtenances at Wells 01 and 03 to provide a more reliable, consistent flowrate; construction of a new 12,000-gallon backwash storage tank and 13,000-gallon treated effluent storage tank; and installation of 850 linear feet (ft) of below-grade piping to connect the components of the water system. The Project would also construct a new 40ft x 20ft treatment process building to house a new filtration system and install security fencing around the Project site.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved financing for the Project described above on August 8, 2024 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Yosemite 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)

Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

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 involves the reconstruction of an existing facility involving negligible or no expansion of capacity, and the construction of new small facilities or structures.

LEAD AGENCY: Yosemite Unified School District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Randy Sharp

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Records of the financing approval for the Project are 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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