

Notice of Exemption 2022-75

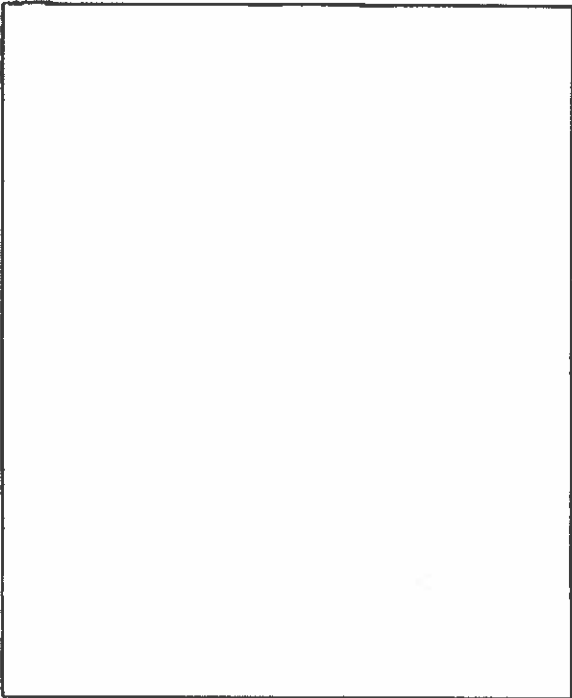
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From: City of Hanford
317 North Douty Street
Hanford, CA 93230

Project Title: Water Wells No. 51 and No. 52

Project Location – 900 S. 10th Avenue (APN 012-233-002)
1200 W. Fargo Avenue (APN 007-360-014)



Project Location – City: Hanford Project Location – County: Kings County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Replacement of two failed drinking water wells due to subsidence. The replacement wells will improve water pressure and increase water supply within the City of Hanford.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Hanford, Planning Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Hanford – Public Works Department

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 152698);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269 (a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(2); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption: State type and section number:
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The City of Hanford determined the project to be exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. Section 21080(b)(2) and Section 15269(b) states that exemptions for emergency projects that include repairs to publicly owned service facilities essential to public health, safety, and welfare. This project is the replacement of two failed water wells due to subsidence as a result of drought conditions in the Tulare Lake Basin. Both wells provide clean drinking water to residents of the City of Hanford. As a result of these two wells failing, the City of Hanford has been experiencing low water pressure and reduced water production that threatens the availability of clean drinking water to the residents of the City. This project is therefore an emergency and delays due to environmental review would jeopardize the ability of the City to provide clean drinking water to its residents which is essential to public health, safety, and welfare.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Lisa Dock Area Code/ Telephone: (559) 585-255

Signature: Date: August 4, 2022 Title: Engineering Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____
 Signed by Applicant