

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): San Joaquin County, Environmental Health Department
1868 E. Hazelton Ave.
Stockton, CA 95202

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), Site 300 Well 21

Project Applicant: Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA)

Project Location - Specific:

LLNL Site 300, San Joaquin County, approximately 9 miles southwest of Tracy

Project Location - City: Tracy Project Location - County: San Joaquin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

A primary well and a backup well are currently permitted for use in supplying drinking water at Site 300. The primary well is failing and experiencing a decrease in reliability and water quality due to well screen degradation. The proposed project would involve the construction and operation of a new replacement well in the vicinity of the existing wells. The existing water supply permit would be amended to add the new drinking water source.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Joaquin County, Environmental Health Department

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DOE/NNSA

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: per CCR Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Sections 15300 to 15333
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

San Joaquin County has determined that the new replacement well meets the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) criteria for a Categorical Exemption, per CCR Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 19, Sections 15300-15333. DOE/NNSA has determined that the new replacement well meets the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) criteria for a Categorical Exclusion, per 10 CFR 1021, B.1.18 Water supply wells: Siting, construction, and operation of additional water supply wells (or replacement wells) within an existing well field, or modification of an existing water supply well to restore production, provided that there would be no drawdown other than in the immediate vicinity of the pumping well, and the covered actions would not have the potential to cause significant long-term decline of the water table, and would not have the potential to cause significant degradation of the aquifer from the new or replacement well.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jasjit Kang Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (209) 468-3912

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: [Signature] Date: 12/6/2022 Title: EHD, Director

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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: _____