

Notice of Exemption

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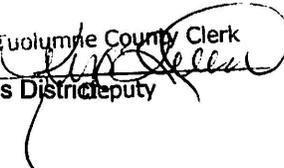
From: Tuolumne Utilities District
18885 Nugget Blvd
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Attn: Erik Johnson, District Engineer

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County of Tuolumne
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Project Title: Consolidation of Muller Mutual Water Company with Tuolumne Utilities District

Tuolumne County Clerk
By: 
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Project Location – Specific: Mira Monte Road, Sunrise Drive and Canyon Drive

Project Location – City: Tuolumne

Project Location – County: Tuolumne County

Description of Nature, Purposes and Beneficiaries of the Project:

Consolidation of existing mutual water company with the Tuolumne Utilities District and replacement of existing potable water lines along 1.97 miles of the subject roads.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tuolumne Utilities District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Tuolumne Utilities District

Exempt Status:

- 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: 15302, Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: 21080.35 (14 Cal. Code of Regs. §21080.35)

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is categorically exempt from CEQA review under Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction. Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

The proposed reconstruction of existing potable water lines will occur within adjacent public road right-of-way adjacent to the existing pipeline alignment. Although the project would install larger diameter pipelines than currently existing, the proposed line would serve only adjacent already-developed residential sites. Areas served by the new pipeline are zoned to prohibit additional subdivision and would therefore not provide the capacity for expansion of existing residential service by the Muller Mutual Company or TUD.

The project proponent has considered the potential for environmental impacts associated with the project and finds, on the basis of analysis in a file memo, that the project would not result in any significant environmental effects in the issue areas covered in the CEQA Guidelines Appendix G Environmental Checklist.

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Signature: *Erik Johnson* Date: Feb 8, 2023
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Signed by Lead Agency

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