

**Notice of Exemption**

**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency): Department of Water  
Resources, San Joaquin Field  
Division  
4201 Sabodan Street, Bakersfield, CA 93313

County Clerk  
County of: \_\_\_\_\_

(Address)

Project Title: Pool 23 Erosion Repairs

Project Applicant: Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin Field Division

Project Location – Specific:

The project site is located at pool 23 of the State Water Project. Pool 23 starts at check site 22 (35°51'03.0"N 119°53'26.0"W) and ends at check site 23 (35°42'27.6"N 119°47'01.1"W).

Project Location – City: Kettleman City

Project Location – County: Kings

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

SJFD staff plans to repair several erosions within pool 23 of the State Water Project. To do this, a dump truck will be used to haul in fill material. A backhoe will be used to fill and compact erosions. A water truck may be used to control dust and aid in compaction. A wacker packer or compaction wheel may also be used to aid in compaction. All work will take place by the aqueduct access roads. All staging will take place on paved or graveled surfaces. All work will take place within DWR right-of-way. This work is necessary to maintain the structural integrity of the access roads and the California aqueduct.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DWR- Operations & Maintenance

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)); 15301 (b)
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project consists of maintenance activities that support the function of the California Aqueduct and water delivery within the State Water Project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Elizabeth Maldonado Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 661-858-5662

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: *Elizabeth Maldonado* Date: 3/29/2023 Title: Environmental Scientist

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: \_\_\_\_\_