

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
 County of: Madera
 200 W 4th Street
 Madera, CA 93637

From: (Public Agency): Madera County Public Works
200 W 4th Street
Madera, CA 93637
 (Address)

Project Title: MD-73 Quartz Mountain Water System Improvements

Project Applicant: Madera County Public Works Department

Project Location - Specific:
Maintenance District 73 Quartz Mountain

Project Location - City: North Fork Project Location - County: Madera

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The existing MD-73 well has been producing water out of compliance with secondary drinking water standards for Iron and Manganese within the last 12 months. On August 27, 2021, the Madera County Environmental Health Division issued a compliance order for the MD-73 water system to comply with CCR, Title 22, section 64449 for Iron and Manganese by September 2024. The planning project will analyze the water system to identify feasible alternatives that address existing system deficiencies, and also complete a consolidation evaluation with nearby water systems.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Madera County Planning Department

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Madera County Public Works Department

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: 15306, Information Gathering
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 15262

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project will be the planning phase for new water system improvements that may include, but is not limited to, pipelines, water storage, meters, groundwater wells, and hydrants. Project scope will only be for the preliminary engineering work that have the categorical & statutory exemptions noted above. Project scope will include the follow if applicable: CEQA construction evaluation, feasibility/planning study, consolidation evaluation, test well drilling, designs/specifications/cost estimates, and pilot study.

Lead Agency
 Contact Person: Kamara Biawogi Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 675-7821

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:  Date: 4/25/23 Title: Planner III

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.