

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water
Storage District
849 Allen Road Bakersfield, CA
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To: County Clerk
County of Kern
1115 Truxtun Ave.
Bakersfield, CA 93301

To: County Clerk
County of Riverside
P.O. Box 751
Riverside, CA 92502

Project Title: Temporary Diversions of Kern River Flood Water to Groundwater Recharge Project

Project Location – Specific: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District and Coachella Valley Water District Boundaries

Project Location – County: Kern and Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project will include the temporary diversion and storage of extraordinarily high flows on the Kern River that cannot be diverted and used by those with existing rights on the Kern River. The purpose of the project is to apply the water to groundwater recharge and storage for later extraction and use. The beneficiaries of the project are water users within the boundaries of Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District and Coachella Valley Water District.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Dan Bartel, Engineer-Manager, Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District

Exempt Status: Exempt under Governor's Executive Order N-7-22 (Section 12)

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project would divert available high flow water for groundwater recharge/storage for later extraction and use. The Governor's Executive Order N-7-22 suspends Division 13 (commencing with section 21000) of the Public Resources Code (CEQA), and regulations adopted pursuant to that Division, with respect to the Project activities.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Dan Bartel

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Signature:  Date: 5-15-2023 Title: Engineer Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date: May 15, 2023

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