

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT NUMBER: 8671-110

PROJECT TITLE: Recycled Water Facilities Planning Study (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: City of Petaluma in Sonoma County, California

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is financing the Project referred to internally as Recycled Water Master Plan. The Project includes a study to conduct a focused analysis of recycled water facilities alternatives and develop two primary recommended project components. Project Component 1 shall be a non-potable reuse expansion and will explore potable reuse. Types of alternatives analyzed under this task include non-potable reuse and potable reuse alternatives that do not require tertiary recycled water storage. Project Component 2 shall be focused on an analysis of alternatives for recycled water storage. Types of alternatives analyzed under this task include storage of wastewater prior to treatment with the goal of zero discharge of wastewater as well as storage of recycled water for urban and agricultural uses.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on May 23, 2023 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of Petaluma will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project consists of data collection and research activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Petaluma

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Christopher Bolt

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

Signature: _____

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