

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Amsterdam Water District
PO Box 2657
Los Banos, CA 93635

(Address)

County Clerk
County of: Merced
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

Project Title: Amsterdam Water District Groundwater Recharge Project

Project Applicant: Amsterdam Water District

Project Location—Specific:
North Highway 59 near its intersection with Oakdale Rd. (37 25'18.27" n, -120 31'21.47"W)

Project Location—City: Unincorporated Project Location—County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project would collect data so as to guide the district in locating groundwater recharge ponds. The project will collect soil samples at approximately 5-10 locations within the District on previously disturbed land where soil maps indicate favorable recharge soils. The results will be summarized in a report.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Amsterdam Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Amsterdam Water District

- 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
 - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The activity meets the criteria of section 15306 because it consists of basic data collection and research evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The activity is strictly for information gathering purposes that may lead to an action for which the public agency has not yet approved.

Lead Agency _____ Area Code/Telephone/ _____
Contact Person: Brad Samuelson Extension: 209 658-8487

- 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: Brad Samuelson Digitally signed by Brad Samuelson
Date: 2023.03.02 09:04:08 -0800 Date: 3/2/2023 Title: Manager

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.