

Notice of Exemption

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Attn: Crystal Yezman, Director of Engineering

Project Title: Lagunitas Creek Watershed Enhancement Plan

Project Location: Lagunitas Creek Watershed, Unincorporated Marin County **Project Location – County:** Marin

Project Description: The Marin Municipal Water District (Marin Water) is proposing to construct the Lagunitas Creek Watershed Enhancement Plan (Project) consisting of 13 in-stream restoration sites along eight miles of Lagunitas Creek in west Marin County. The Project is located on property owned by Marin Water as well as on property in the adjacent Samuel P. Taylor State Park, which is owned and managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks). Thus, State Parks is a participating landowner and partner. All proposed restoration sites fall within land owned/managed by State Parks or Marin Water. As part of their watershed stewardship efforts, Marin Water identified a total of 13 potential restoration sites; each site could be implemented separately as they have independent utility and do not rely on another site for water or other connected resources in order to be successful.

Public Agency Approving Project: Marin Municipal Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Marin Municipal Water District

CEQA Exemption Status: Statutory Exemption, Section 21080.56 Fish and Wildlife Restoration.

Reason for Exemption: The project qualifies for exemption Section 21080.56 of the California Public Resources Code, also known as the Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects (SERP), provides a California Environmental Quality Act statutory exemption for fish and wildlife restoration projects that meet certain requirements.

Project Approval: The Marin Municipal Water District Board of Directors approved the Lagunitas Creek Watershed Restoration Plan, which represents project approval as defined by Section 21080.56 of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, at their regularly scheduled meeting on August 15, 2023.

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