


## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

<b>To:</b>	Office of Planning and Research Post Office Box 3044 Sacramento, California 95812	<b>From:</b>	Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District 1001 Chase Avenue Corcoran, CA 93212  <b>Contact:</b> <b>Phone:</b> 559-992-4127
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<b>Subject</b>	Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with § 21108 of the Public Resource Code
<b>Project Title</b>	Permanent Transfer of 617 acre-feet of Maximum Annual Table A Amount from Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District to Empire West Side Irrigation District
<b>State Clearinghouse Number(s)</b>	SCH #2023090554
<b>Lead Agency</b>	Empire West Side Irrigation District 5065 19 1/2 Avenue Riverdale, California 93656
<b>Project Location (include county)</b>	Tulare and Kings Counties
<b>Project Description</b>	The project is a permanent transfer of 617 acre-feet of Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District's (Tulare's) State Water Project (SWP) Maximum Annual Table A Amount to Empire West Side Irrigation District (Empire). Tulare and Empire are SWP Contractors with long-term water supply contracts with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), which contracts allow for transfers of SWP water between SWP Contractors subject to DWR approval.
<b>Determination</b>	<p>This is to advise that Tulare, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on March 27, 2024 and has made the following determinations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The project <b>will not</b> have a significant effect on the environment.</li> <li>2. An Initial Study/Negative Declaration was prepared for this project by the Lead Agency pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.</li> <li>3. This Notice of Determination has been filed to document the action by the District of Adopting the Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District Amendment No. 38 of Water Supply Contract between DWR and Tulare. No further CEQA compliance is required.</li> <li>4. Mitigation measures <b>were not</b> made a condition of the approval of this project.</li> <li>5. Findings <b>were not</b> made by Tulare pursuant to the provisions of CEQA</li> <li>6. A Statement of Overriding Considerations <b>was not</b> adopted for this project.</li> </ol>

The Initial Study/Negative Declaration is available for review at the office of Empire West Side Irrigation District, 5065 19 1/2 Avenue, Riverdale, California 93656.

Signature 	Date: 
Chantal Ouellet Assistant General Manager	