

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Department of Water
Resources, San Joaquin Field
Division
4201 Sabodan Street, Bakersfield, CA 93313

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: 2023 EDPP Electrical Gateway Vegetation Clearance

Project Applicant: Department of Water Resources (DWR), San Joaquin Field Division (SJFD)

Project Location – Specific:

The project site is located southwest of Edmonston Pumping Plant (EDPP). The midpoint of the cable gateway is located at 34°56'32.5"N 118°49'30.7"W.

Project Location – City: Grapevine

Project Location – County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR SJFD will clear 3 feet of vegetation from both sides of the cable gateway located southwest of Edmonston Pumping Plant (EDPP). The cable gateway is 600 feet long from EDPP to the PG&E substation and 300 feet long from the cable gateway's midpoint to The Pump Plant Rd. All work will be done using hand tools such as weed whackers, loppers, and chainsaws. Vehicles will be parked on approved access roads and staging areas. No off-road vehicle use will be permitted. The gateway will be accessed by foot. All work will take place within the DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DWR- Operations & Maintenance

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: 15301 (b)

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project consists of maintenance activities that support the function of the California Aqueduct and water delivery within the State Water Project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Elizabeth Maldonado Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 661-858-5662

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: Elizabeth Maldonado Date: 10/23/2023 Title: Environmental Scientist

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____