

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, 17th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2023120758

PROJECT NUMBER: D2312546

PROJECT TITLE: Whitmore Street Groundwater Remediation Facility Expansion (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Between Whitmore Street and Telstar Avenue, El Monte, CA 91731

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Groundwater Grant Program (GWGP) is financing the Project referred to internally as "Whitmore Street Groundwater Remediation Facility Expansion Implementation". The Project includes expanding the existing Whitmore Street Groundwater Remediation Facility to allow for the removal of greater amounts of 1,4-Dioxane and VOCs (particularly TCE) from the Shallow Zone aquifer and prevent migration into the Intermediate Zone aquifer.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved Prop 1 funding for the Project described above on January 17, 2025 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority will be carrying out the Project.

EXEMPTION STATUS:

"General Rule" Exemption

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 5, section 15601(b)(3))

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 purpose of the project is to contain and remove contaminants that

already exist in the groundwater basin. There is no possibility that this Project may have any significant effects on the environment other than the beneficial/intended effects.

LEAD AGENCY: San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Dan Colby, dan@wqa.com

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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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