

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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| To: | Office of Planning and Research Post Office Box 3044 Sacramento, California 95812 | From: | Department of Water Resources Water Management P.O. BOX 942836 Sacramento, California 95814 |
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| Project Title | Transfer of up to 3,000 acre-feet of Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency's 2023 State Water Project Table A Water to Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (SWP #23053) |
| Location- Specific | From the Delta to Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's (AVEK) turnout(s) at Reaches 18A through 22A of the California Aqueduct |
| Location- County | Los Angeles, Kern, and Ventura Counties |
| Description of Activity | SWP Agreement #23053 provides for a non-permanent transfer of up to 3,000 acre-feet of Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency's (Crestline) 2023 State Water Project Table A water to AVEK for use in AVEK's service area. The delivery of water shall be completed by December 31, 2023. |
| Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying out Activity | Crestline (lead agency), AVEK, and DWR (responsible agency) |
| Exempt Status | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption: Class 1; CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption: California Water Code Section 1729 |
| Reasons why activity is exempt | <p>a. SWP long-term water supply contracts include provisions for delivery within SWP place of use, including transfers between SWP contractors.</p> <p>b. No construction is required to implement the proposed delivery.</p> <p>c. The facilities are existing facilities that have not been expanded or modified to implement the proposed delivery.</p> <p>d. There will be no change in land use.</p> |
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| Signature: <i>John Leahigh</i> _____ John Leahigh Assistant Division Manager, Water Management Division of Operations and Maintenance State Water Project | Date: 12/21/2023 _____ |