

Notice of Exemption

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From: San Bernardino County
Flood Control District
Environmental Management Division
825 E. Third Street, Room 123
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Project Description

Project Title: San Bernardino County Flood Control District – February 2024: Emergency Flood Control Facility Repairs-Plunge Creek and Oak Glen Creek.

Project Location: The affected reach of Plunge Creek is located directly upstream and downstream of the intersection of Greenspot Road and Plunge Creek in the city of Highland. Oak Glen Creek upstream of Oak Glen basins is located east of Bryant Street, south of Oak Glen Road, and west of Pendleton Road in the city of Yucaipa.

Project Description: Heavy rainfall in February 2024, resulted in significant flooding, and sediment, rock and debris deposition and scour, damaging flood control facilities, drainages, and culverts, resulting in an imminent threat to life and property. Local and State Emergency Proclamations have been issued for San Bernardino County. Emergency repair work includes, but is not limited to, removal of sediment, rock and debris for public safety purposes and repairs/replacements of damage flood control facilities and appurtenant structures.

Applicant

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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(d)];
 Categorical Exemption. State type and section: _____
 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____
 Other Exemption: Section 15269 (b) Emergency Repairs to Publicly Owned Facilities

Section 15269 (c) Specific Actions Taken to Mitigate an Emergency

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15269(a) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines allows for emergency repairs to an area in which a State of Emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor. Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency on February 5, 2024. Section 15269(b) allows for emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned facilities to maintain service essential to public health, safety, or welfare. Section 15269 (c) allows for specific actions taken to mitigate for an emergency, and Section 15269 (d) authorizes emergency work on existing highways damaged by flooding and landslides.

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Title

3/18/2024

Date

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: N/A