

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Tulare
221 S. Mooney Blvd,
Visalia, CA 93291

From: (Public Agency): Lower Tule River Irrigation District
357 E. Olive Avenue,
Tipton, CA 93272

(Address)

Project Title: Lower Tule River Irrigation District Multi-year Cross Valley Transfers and Exchanges

Project Applicant: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

Project Location - Specific:

Project Location - City: Tipton Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Lower Tule River Irrigation District will transfer 25,000 AF up to 50,000 AF/year to various agencies (BMWD, BWSD, BVWSD, CWD, HMWD, ID4, KDWD, LHWD, RRBWSD, SWSD, TCCWD, WKWD, WRMWSD) on behalf of Homer LLC. Water transfer will be used in-district or banked or banked for future use within Kern County. In return, Lower Tule River Irrigation District will receive water from Homer supplies in the Friant service area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

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: Article 19 CCR Sec. 15301
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project for existing facilities that will not result in expansion Under the Article 19 Categorical Exemption Section 15301 is covered. The project under Class 1 consists of operations with no expansion of existing use.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Eric Limas Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 559-686-4716

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: [Signature] Date: 3/25/2024 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR:
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.