

**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: Calaveras

From: (Public Agency): Calaveras County Water District  
120 Toma Court  
San Andreas, CA 95249

(Address)

Project Title: Arnold Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project

Project Applicant: Calaveras County Water District

Project Location - Specific:

3294 Highway 4 Avery, California Assessors Parcel Number 032-024-035

Project Location - City: Avery Project Location - County: Calaveras

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project includes improvements to the existing Arnold WWTP to improve antiquated components and to ensure wastewater treatment continues to occur at the facility. Improvements include: electrical system upgrades/replacement, new electrical building, generator replacement, redundant secondary clarifier installation, aerobic digesters installation, replacement of return activated sludge/waste activated sludge (RAS/RAW) pump, yard pipe improvements, installation of mixed liquid metering and flow splitting facility.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Calaveras County Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Kevin Williams

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: Section 15301(b) Class 1 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt under CEQA CE Section 15031(b) because it includes improvements/repairs of an antiquated publicly owned wastewater treatment plant that would not increase facility capacity. The project will improve the facility to ensure that it continues to operate adequately and operate pursuant to current federal, state and local codes.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Kevin Williams Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-754-3184

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: *Kevin Williams* Date: 5-2-2024 Title: Senior Engineer

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: \_\_\_\_\_