## **Notice of Exemption**

To: Office of Planning and Research Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage From: P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 District Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 849 Allen Road Bakersfield, CA 93314 County Clerk County of Kern 1115 Truxtun Ave. Bakersfield, CA 93301 Project Title: Acquisition of Property by Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District Project Applicant: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District Project Location - Specific: Kern County Assessor Parcel Number 104-250-27 Project Location - City: Bakersfield Project Location - County: Kern Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of the proposed project is for the Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District ("District") to acquire fee title to an approximately 100-acre portion of the property identified by the above-referenced Assessor Parcel Number. The project is limited to the acquisition of the property by the District. The District has no current plans to change the existing uses of the property. The purpose of the project is to allow the District to explore the opportunity to use the property for District purposes in the future. The beneficiaries of the project are the landowners within the boundaries of the District. Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Dan Bartel, Engineer-Manager, Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District **Exempt Status:** ☐ 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. ☐ Statutory Exemptions. ☐ General Rule or Common-Sense Exemption (15061(b)(3)). Reasons why project is exempt: The substantive component of the project involves the acquisition of property by the district. The proposed project does not involve the construction or alteration of any facilities or any change in existing uses of the property. The property will remain in its present use and condition until such time as plans for future use of the property are developed and considered by the District. Any future use or development of the property by the District will be subject to separate review for compliance with CEQA. In light of the foregoing, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project has the potential to have a significant adverse effect on the environment. As such, the proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). Lead Agency Contact Person: Rachelle Echeverria Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (661)589-6045 Date: 5/21/2024 Title: Engineer-Harager Signature: \_

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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