NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812 FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance 1001 I Street, 16th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER:

PROJECT NUMBER: 5304502-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Salver Heights New Water Treatment Plant & Water Tanks Project

(Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: City of Salyer in Trinity County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is the Lead Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes feasibility and planning studies for a new water treatment facility that involves removing the existing unapproved filtration system, reconstructing the raw water intake system, installing new water storage tanks (possibly in various locations), installing new pump stations, and replacing minor piping. The Project also includes development of plans for other minor water system improvements, access improvements, and any environmental mitigations. The planning work will involve developing the Engineering Report, Final Design, and necessary environmental documents.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on May 23, 2024 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Sayler Heights Water Supply, Inc. will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:

Feasibility and Planning Studies

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on the environment. The Project will include feasibility and planning studies, basic data collection, research via a geological investigation, a topographic survey, and a water rate study.

LEAD AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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