



Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
Submitted online

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Date: May 24, 2024

Project Title: Decision Support Tools for Flood Management Planning

Project Location – Specific: Service Area

Project Location – County: Alameda County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Zone 7 will develop decision support tools aimed at providing the agency with a structured, data-driven approach to flood management planning.

Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying Out Project: Zone 7 Water Agency

Project Manager: Elke Rank, 925-454-5005

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. CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions: 15262. FEASIBILITY AND PLANNING STUDIES

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under CEQA Guidelines as follows:

15262. FEASIBILITY AND PLANNING STUDIES
A project involving only feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded does not require the preparation of an EIR or Negative Declaration but does require consideration of environmental factors. This section does not apply to the adoption of a plan that will have a legally binding effect on later activities.

None of the conditions noted under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines 15300.2 (as revised) will occur. Furthermore, this project will not result in potential for significant environmental impacts because the project is limited to feasibility and planning studies.

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Signature:	<i>Elke Rank</i>
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