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AIMEE X. ESPINOZA
AUDITOR CONTROLLER-COUNTY CLERK
BY Whidner DEPUTY

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

LEAD AGENCY Kern County Water Agency

PROJECT TITLE Common Landowner Transfer of up to 1,309 acre-feet of Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's 2024 State Water Project Water to the Kern County Water Agency on behalf of Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District.

PROJECT APPLICANT Kern County Water Agency

PHONE NUMBER (661) 634-1400

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS: 3200 Rio Mirada Drive

CITY Bakersfield STATE CA ZIP CODE 93308

WORK ORDER # _____ 30-Day Posting 35-Day Posting 45-Day Posting Other _____

CONTACT PERSON Courtney Pasquini PHONE NUMBER (661) 634-1491

CHECK DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Availability.....No Fee
- Notice of Intent.....No Fee
- Notice of Preparation.....No Fee
- Notice of Public Hearing.....No Fee
- Other _____.....No Fee
- Environmental Impact Report (EIR).....\$4051.25
 - Previously paid F&W (must attach F&W receipt) F&W Receipt Number# _____
 - DFG No Effect Determination (F&W letter must be attached).....No Fee
 - County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00
- Mitigated Negative Declaration or Negative Declaration.....\$2916.75
 - Previously paid F&W (must attach F&W receipt) F&W Receipt Number# _____
 - DFG No Effect Determination (F&W letter must be attached).....No Fee
 - County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00
- Notice of Exemption.....No Fee
 - County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00

TOTAL \$ 50.00

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PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- JV - Trans Code _____ Dept _____ Fund _____ Expense Key _____
- Money Order
- Check

Notice of Environmental Document
Posted by County Clerk on 07/08/2024
and for 30 days thereafter, Pursuant to
Section 21152(C), Public Resources Code

25031

Kern County Clerk
1115 Truxtun Ave
Bakersfield CA 93301
(661) 868-3588

CEQA

County Clerk Fee
#25031

1 @ \$50.00
\$50.00

Total

\$50.00

Check #130466

\$50.00

Change

\$0.00

ORDER NO: 638475

MAIL

7/8/2024 4:39:06 PM

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MARIANNA CEDENO

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: Kern County Water Agency
3200 Rio Mirada Drive
Bakersfield, CA 93308-4944

Kern County Clerk
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

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AIMEE X. ESPINOZA
AUDITOR CONTROLLER-COUNTY CLERK
BY M. Adams DEPUTY

Project Title: Common Landowner Transfer of up to 1,309 acre-feet (af) of Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's (AVEK) 2024 State Water Project (SWP) Water to the Kern County Water Agency (Agency) on behalf of Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District (Wheeler Ridge).

Location -- Specific: The Agency is a SWP contractor located in Kern County in the southern San Joaquin Valley. Wheeler Ridge contracts for SWP water through the Agency and is in Kern County in the southern San Joaquin Valley. The SWP includes facilities located throughout the State of California. AVEK is a SWP contractor located in Los Angeles and Kern County.

Location -- County: Kern County.

Description of Activity: In 2024, AVEK will transfer up to 1,309 af of its 2024 SWP water to the Agency for delivery to Wheeler Ridge from California Aqueduct turnouts located in the Agency's service area.

Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying Out Activity: Agency (Lead Agency).

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption.** State type and section number: Existing Facilities, CEQA Guidelines section 15301(b).
- Statutory Exemption.** State code number: CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3).

CEQA Guidelines section 15301(b) provides that a lead agency may determine an activity to be exempt from CEQA in that it utilizes only existing facilities. Additionally, CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) provides that a Lead Agency may determine an activity to be exempt based on a general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have a potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. The Agency finds that approval of the proposed water transfer has no possibility of significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action consists of a one-time water transfer that will use existing facilities and would not require any construction or grading.

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2. The proposed action does not constitute a new permanent source of water supply and will not result in any growth inducing or cumulative environmental impacts.
3. There will be no change in land use.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Lauren Bauer

Telephone: (661) 634-1411

Signature: 
Lauren Bauer

Title: Water Resources Manager

Date: 6/28/2024

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing by County Clerk:

Signed by Applicant

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Posted by County Clerk on 07/08/2024
and for 30 days thereafter, Pursuant to
Section 21152(C), Public Resources Code



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
 15 — 07082024 — 15150848
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 7/8/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Kern	DOCUMENT NUMBER 25031	

PROJECT TITLE
 COMMON LANDOWNER TRANSFER OF UP TO 1,309 ACRE-FEET OF ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY'S 2024 STATE WATER PROJECT WATER TO THE KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY ON BEHALF OF WHEELER RIDGE-MARICOPA WATER STORAGE DISTRICT.

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (661) 634-1400
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 3200 RIO MIRADA DRIVE	CITY BAKERSFIELD	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93308

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash Credit Check Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE M. CEDENO, KERN COUNTY CLERK, FST
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