

Public Notice
Notice of Exemption



To: Santa Clara County
Clerks Office, Business Division
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose CA 95110

From: Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water)
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Project Title: Facilities Fence Replacement Project

Project Location–Specific: Work would be conducted at five Valley Water facilities:

- Almaden Headquarters Corporate Yard – 5770 Almaden Expy, San Jose, CA 95120
- Coyote Pumping Plant – 18300 Peet Road, Morgan Hill, CA 95037
- Winfield Complex – 5905 Winfield Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95123
- Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center – 4190 Zanker Road, San Jose, CA 95134
- Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant – 7011 Graystone Lane, San Jose, CA 95120

Project Location-City: San Jose and Morgan Hill

Project Location-County: Santa Clara

Project Purpose: The project is proposed to improve site security at five Valley Water facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Name of Agency or Person Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Exempt Status: (*check one*)

- Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
- Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(c)];
- Categorical Exemptions [§15301; Class 1, “Existing Facilities” and §15302; Class 2, “Replacement or Reconstruction”]
- Statutory Exemptions [*State code number*].

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15301 and §15302:

Class 1 (Existing Facilities) consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Class 1 includes minor additions to existing structures and infrastructure.

Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction) consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity.

None of the applicable exceptions noted under the CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 exist.

Description of Project:

The proposed project would improve site security at five Valley Water facilities by replacing and improving existing chain link security fencing. All staging areas would be located on paved or previously disturbed gravel and dirt areas at each site. Best Management Practices (BMPs) have been

incorporated into the project. Work at each site would be completed in approximately one month and would occur during construction work hours allowed by the local municipal code.

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