

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Department of Water
Resources, San Joaquin Field
Division
4201 Sabodan Street, Bakersfield, CA 93313

County Clerk
County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Shoulder Drainage Repair at SJO&M

Project Applicant: Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin Field Division

Project Location – Specific:

Start point: 35°01'13.8"N 118°58'32.6"W

End point: 35°01'05.8"N 118°58'32.9"W

Project Location – City: Mettler

Project Location – County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The drainage on the east side of the San Joaquin O&M center is eroding due to runoff from rain. A series of check dams would be installed to slow the water flow and decrease erosion. The drainage is around 800 feet long. The width and depth vary throughout the drainage, but never exceeds three feet.

The check dams would be constructed of cobblestone and river rock. Eroded areas will be repaired using mechanical equipment and/or hand tools. The following mechanical equipment could be used for this project: Vactor truck, backhoe, front-end loader, skid steer, motor grader, water truck, and dump truck. The front-end loader would only be used for loading and off-loading material.

In addition, the drainage will be excavated and filled in several locations to create a more uniform channel. Lastly, several piles of sediment and rocks adjacent to the drainage will be removed.

Work is expected to last two weeks but could last longer depending on staff availability. All work would be completed within the DWR's right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: DWR- Operations & Maintenance

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)); 15301 (b)

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project consists of maintenance activities that support the function of the California Aqueduct and water delivery within the State Water Project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Elizabeth Maldonado Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 661-858-5662

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Elizabeth Maldonado Date: 11/18/24 Title: Senior Environmental
Scientist (Specialist)

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____