

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

<p>TO: Riverside County Clerk 2720 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92507</p> <p>Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Sutter County 1160 Civic Center Blvd., Suite A Yuba City, CA 95993</p> <p>Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044</p>	<p>FROM: San Geronio Pass Water Agency 1210 Beaumont Ave. Beaumont, CA 92223 Phone: (951) 845-2577</p>
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Project Title:	2025 City of Yuba City/San Geronio Pass Water Agency Transfer Agreement
Project Location:	Within the service areas of the City of Yuba City (“City”) and the San Geronio Pass Water Agency (“Agency”).
a) Project Location – Cities:	Agency and City’s service areas
Project Location – Counties:	Sutter County Riverside County
Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	On February 24, 2025, the Agency’s Board of Directors approved the 2025 City of Yuba City/San Geronio Pass Water Agency Transfer Agreement (“Agreement”). The Agreement with the City authorizes the purchase of 3,000 acre-feet of carryover water at a rate of \$225 per acre-foot.
Name of Public Agency approving project:	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Name of Person or Agency carrying out project:	San Geronio Pass Water Agency, 1210 Beaumont Ave., Beaumont, CA 92223;  City of Yuba City, 1201 Civic Center Blvd., Yuba City, CA 95993, Telephone: (530) 822-4626; email: publicworks.admin@yubacity.net
Exempt status: (check one)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption.	State CEQA Guidelines, § 15301[Existing Facilities]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption.	State CEQA Guidelines § 15282(u)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3)
Reason why project was exempt:	The execution of the Agreement is statutorily exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines section 15282(u), which exempts temporary changes in the point of diversion, place of use, of purpose of use due to a transfer or exchange of water or water rights. Here, the Project involves the one-time exchange of a certain amount of the Yuba’s water for the year 2025. The Project merely changes the place of use, and does not involve construction of any additional facilities to service this transfer of water. As the Project involves a one-time exchange, it also

	<p>satisfies the definition of “temporary change” under State CEQA Guidelines section 15282(u) pursuant to Water Code section 1728.</p> <p>Additionally, the Project is categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15301 (Class 1 – Existing Facilities), which exempts from CEQA the operation of existing public structures, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. The Project will use existing facilities and will not require the construction of additional facilities to affect the delivery of the water.</p> <p>Finally, the Project is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) which exempts those activities for which it can be seen with certainty that there is no potential to result in significant environmental effects. The Project involves the transfer of an existing allocation of water within existing facilities.</p>
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Date: February 27, 2025



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