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Notice of Exemption

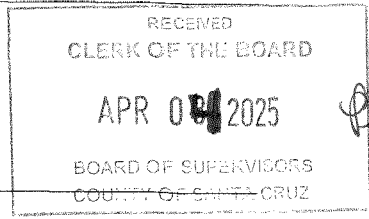
Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): Soquel Creek Water District
5180 Soquel Dr.
Soquel, CA 95073

County Clerk
County of: Santa Cruz

(Address)



Project Title: Mutual Aid Agreement with City of Santa Cruz

Project Applicant: Soquel Creek Water District

Project Location - Specific:

Assessor Parcel Numbers 030-341-12, 034-101-16, 032-051-29

Project Location - City: Soquel and Santa Cruz Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Mutual Aid Agreement provides for either party to provide assistance to the other during incidents affecting their water service and distribution system.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Soquel Creek Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Soquel Creek Water District & City of Santa Cruz

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. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15302, 15303, 15061(b)(3)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Mutual Aid Agreement (MAA) does not constitute a "project" under CEQA Guidelines section 15378. Alternately, the MAA is exempt under the common-sense exemption CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), and in the alternative, the MAA is statutorily exempt pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(2)-(4). Further any actions that might be taken under the MAA are categorically exempt from sections 15301-15303 as noted above.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Shelley Flock Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (831) 475-8500 x156

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: Shelley Flock Date: 4/3/2025 Title: Water Resources Manager

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:

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