



MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY


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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: March Joint Powers Authority (Public Agency)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Riverside County Clerk 2724 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92507	Address 14205 Meridian Parkway, Suite 140 Riverside, CA 92506

1. Project Title:	Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Update
2. Project Applicant:	March Joint Powers Authority
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15’ or 7 1/2’ topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	March Joint Powers Authority Jurisdictional Area.
4. Project Location	County of Riverside
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	Ordinance #JPA 25-01 amends and supersedes Ordinance #JPA 19-01 to update its participation in the Western Riverside County Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program to modify the fee methodology and collection process.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	March Joint Powers Authority
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	March Joint Powers Authority
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	
(b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	
(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	
(e) <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency.	
(f) <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	

(g) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) and State CEQA Guidelines § 15378 (b)(4)
9. Reason why project was exempt:	<p>Ordinance #JPA 25-01 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378 (b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines as amending TUMF fees calculations and methods of collection does not approve the construction of any transportation improvements or any other development projects. As such, adoption of the Resolution #JPA 25-02, amending TUMF fee calculations and methods of collection is merely “the creation of a government funding mechanism which does not involve any commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.”</p> <p>Additionally, through adopting Ordinance #JPA 25-01 and Resolution #JPA 25-02. it is considered an activity covered by the general rule in that through amending and superseding TUMF fee calculations and methods of collection, “it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity of amending TUMF fee calculations and methods of collection may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.” Accordingly, the amendment of the TUMF fees is not a “project” and is exempt from environmental review under CEQA.</p>
10. Lead Agency Contact Person:	Jeffrey Smith, AICP Principal Planner March Joint Powers Authority
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11. If filed by applicant: Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form “A”) before filing.	
12. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Was a public meeting held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Signature:  **Date:** April 9, 2025 **Title:** Principal Planner
Jeffrey M. Smith

Signed by Lead Agency **Signed by Applicant**

Date Received for Filing: _____

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21100, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code