

# Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources  
Division of Operations and Maintenance  
715 P Street, Sacramento CA 95814

County Clerk  
County of \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Address)

Project Title: CCF Firebreak Mowing (OM-DFD-2025-009)

Project Location - Specific:

Coordinates: 37°49'19.22"N, 121°34'9.70"W. Cross Streets: Byron Hwy and Herdlyn Road  
SWP Facility: Clifton Court Forebay

Project Location – City: Byron Project Location – County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR staff will create 30-foot-wide fire breaks as ordered by the local fire marshal along established and historic roads and ditches within the recently acquired 600 acres of agricultural property directly south of Clifton Court Forebay. Pole trimmers, chainsaws, a dozer, a road grader, and an industrial mower will be used to clear the vegetation and repair roads. All work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

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: Class 1, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and critical services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves routine maintenance activities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. The Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance as this activity will be implemented without any environmental impacts.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Sara Paiva-Lowry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 902-7709

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: Sara Paiva-Lowry Date: 4/24/2025 Title: Environmental Program Manager, DWR

- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_
- Signed by Applicant

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