

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of: Tulare
221 S. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

From: (Public Agency): Lower Tule River Irrigation District
357 E. Olive Avenue
Tipton, CA 93272 (Project Applicant)
(Address)

Project Title: Stream Gage Installation Project

Project Applicant: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

Project Location - Specific:

Multiple locations along the Tule River near Roads 96, 142, and 192. See attached.

Project Location - City: Tipton Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Four stream gauges will be installed at different locations. Each gage will consist of two poles, approximately 2 inches in diameter, which will be driven into the ground. These two poles will support the necessary measuring equipment. Additionally, a small line will run to the bottom of the river in a trench to measure the water. Each gage installation is expected to be completed in a one-week period during dry river conditions. Dewatering would not be necessary, no in-water work would be conducted in the Tule River.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Lower Tule River Irrigation District

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: 15303 (d)(e), 15304 (f), 15306
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Involves the construction and location of a limited number of small structures. The project will involve minor trenching and backfilling, where the surface is restored. No in-water work would be necessary. Stream gages would be used to collect hydrologic data and monitor stream flows. Stream gages would not result in a serious or major disturbance to environmental resources. Therefore, the proposed project meets the requirements of CEQA guidelines 15303, 15304, and 15306 and is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

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: [Signature] Date: 4/20/2025 Title: Gen. 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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