



California Environmental Quality Act: Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Amendment of Water Delivery Agreement with Department of Water Resources and The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Project Location - Specific: Metropolitan's Diamond Valley Lake in Riverside to the Department of Water Resources' Reach 28H Turnout at the Henry J. Mills Water Treatment Plant located at 550 East Alessandro Boulevard, in Riverside, California. See attached location exhibit.

Project Location - City: Riverside

Project Location - County: Riverside

Description of Project: The project is the execution of an amendment of a water delivery agreement between the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the Department of Water Resources. By March 31, 2023, up to 140,000 acre-feet of water would be delivered from Diamond Valley Lake to Mills Water Treatment Plant using the agencies' existing water conveyance and distribution systems (e.g., Inland Feeder, Lakeview Pipeline, Perris Bypass, Box Springs Feeder, Santa Ana Valley Pipeline, Reach 28H Turnout, Box Springs Feeder).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Exempt Status: (check as applicable)

- Ministerial (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Declared Emergency (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines §15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Public Resources Code §21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines)
- Categorical Exemption, Class 1, State CEQA Guidelines §15301
- Statutory Exemption,
- Other, State CEQA Guidelines

Reasons why project is exempt

The proposed project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographic features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

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