

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): RWQCB
73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100
Palm Desert, CA 92260

(Address)

Project Title: A-462 L-300A MP 3.95 Repair Access Road

Project Applicant: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E)

Project Location - Specific:

The project is located approximately 10 miles southeast of the City of Needles off on an access road named South California Gas Pipe Line Road. 

Project Location - City: Needles Project Location - County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is conduct repairs and maintenance to an existing access road and gas transmission pipeline. This would include installing a new 42 inch diameter corrugated polyethylene culvert with flared end sections, and inlet and outlet protection using rock slope protection to reestablish the access and upgrade drainage infrastructure to improve long term performance and recoating the pipeline.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Regional Water Quality Control Board-Colorado River Basin

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: Section 15301- Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project consists of repairing an existing access road without an expansion of use. Thus this project meets the exemption requirements under section 15301 "existing facilities".

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Logan Raub Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-776-8966

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:  Date: 01/21/2026 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

▪ 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: _____