

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**

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**FROM:**

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**Project Applicant:** Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

**Project Title:** Operation of Saugus 1 and Saugus 2 Wells VOC Treatment and New Disinfection Facility Improvements Project-Water Supply Permit Amendment (Project)

**Project Location:** 25401 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350

**Project County:** Los Angeles

**Project Description:** The Applicant proposes operating granular activated carbon (GAC) treatment system for Volatile Organic Chemical (VOCs) removal which was added to the existing Saugus Wells 1&2 at Saugus Perchlorate Treatment Plant (SPTF). The effluent from the GAC vessels will receive chloramination treatment at the Six Wells Disinfection Facility (onsite), which also provides precautionary disinfection for Well Q2 and T&U Treatment Facilities. The SPTF includes two bag filter trains (four bag filter units total), one existing IX treatment train (two IX vessels in total, operated in lead-lag configuration), and one GAC treatment train (two GAC vessels total, operated in parallel configuration). The Six Wells Disinfection Facility includes a sodium hypochlorite generation and storage system, liquid ammonium sulfate (LAS) storages, and additional chemical feed systems installed for both sodium hypochlorite and LAS. All treatment facilities are equipped the associated electrical equipment, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system, and water quality measuring equipment.

**Public Agency Approving the Project:** State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)

This is to advise that the State Water Board has issued a domestic water supply permit amendment for the above-described Project on March 26, 2026. A record of permit approval for the Project is available to the public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water district office listed above.

**CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

**Class 1: Existing Facilities** Cal. Code of Regs., section 15301

**Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction** Cal. Code of Regs., section 15302

**Reason Why the Project Is Exempt:** The Project is exempt because it consists of the operation of upgrades of an existing public water facility, replacement of well head components and hypochlorination to inactivate bacterial contamination, involving negligible or no expansion of capacity or use. None of the exceptions listed in section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the proposed Project.

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