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Notice of Exemption

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County Clerk
County of: Kern
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

From: (Public Agency): Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority
100 W. California Avenue
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
(Address)

Project Title: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority Geotechnical Investigation

Project Applicant: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

Project Location - Specific:
See attached map.

Project Location - City: California City/Ridgecrest Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The Project would conduct geotechnical test borings to investigation and determine soil composition and conditions to assist with the designs of a 50-mile water conveyance pipeline from California City to Ridgecrest, California. Project activities would include best management practices and biological monitors to avoid environmental resources.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority

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 15306, Class 6 - Information Collection
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
The Project is exempt pursuant to Section 15306 for basic data collection to assess soil composition for design of a future pipeline project. The soil borings would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The activities are strictly for information gathering purposes.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Carol Thomas-Keefer Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-587-7300 ext 17

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: Carol Thomas-Keefer Date: 4/13/2023 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

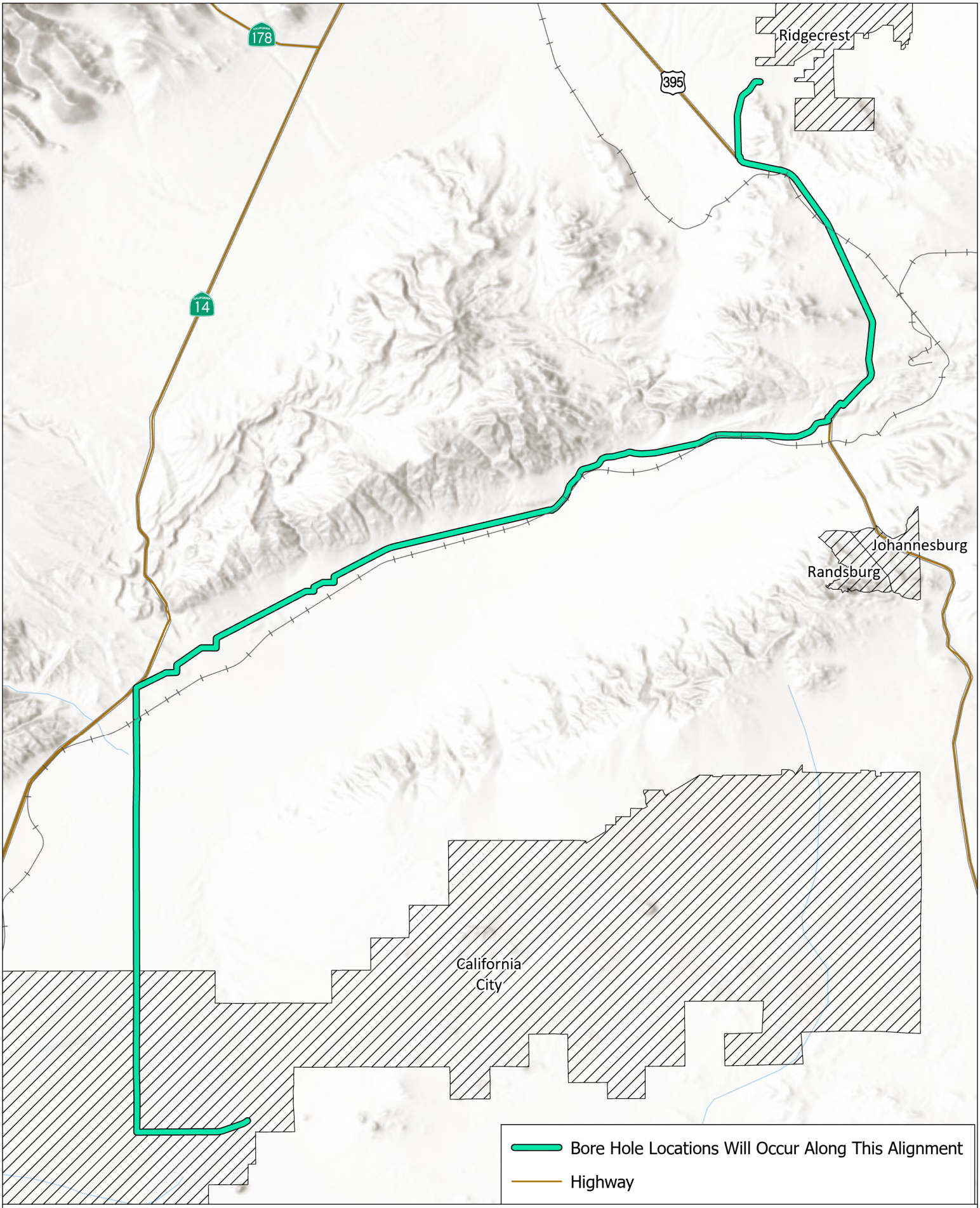
Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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and for 30 days thereafter, Pursuant to
Section 21152(C), Public Resources Code

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