

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: Siskiyou
311 Fourth Street, Room 201
Yreka CA 96097

From: (Public Agency): Environmental Health Division
806 South Main Street
Yreka CA 96097

(Address)

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Siskiyou County

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BY: ENDORSED-E FRANCO
Deputy ClerkProject Title: Water Well Permit #23073Project Applicant: Thomas Nielsen

Project Location - Specific:

APN: 022-230-130

Project Location - City: GazelleProject Location - County: Siskiyou

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
Approval of an agricultural production well replacement.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Siskiyou County Community DevelopmentName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Environmental Health Division

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: 15302 and 15061(b)(3)
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
See attachment.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Rick Dean

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-841-2100

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: 9/9/2024 Title: Director☒ 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: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

The hydrogeological study produced by Luhdorff and Scalmanini for the purpose of addressing the Govern's orders indicates that the operation of the new replacement well at the proposed location 1) is not likely to interfere with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells" and (2) "is not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.

Larry Walker and Associates performed a hydrogeological analysis utilizing their hydrologic modeling tool from which Natural Resources and Community Development has concluded the separation distance and well pumping drawdown indicates that the replacement well will not have a significant adverse impact on public trust resources. County staff has determined that the well does not pose any threat to human health, safety, or the environment. Per the Siskiyou County Flood Control District, this well is consistent with historic activity occurring on the parcel and is also consistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plan for Shasta Valley. See study for additional details.