

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
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Project Title: Purchase and Sale Agreement, Joint Escrow Instructions with Home Depot USA, Inc. for the acquisition of a portion of APN 600-010-017 and an access easement for Lift Station 55-12 Improvement Project

Project Location:

The Parcel is located at 79900 Highway 111, La Quinta, California 92253 [APN 600-010-017]

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) seeks to purchase a 1.82-acre fee property (Parcel) where CVWD Lift Station 55-12 currently operates. The Parcel is located at 79900 Highway 111, La Quinta, California 92253 (behind Home Depot) [APN 600-010-017]; the purchase agreement will be with Home Depot USA, Inc.

The fee property is located in a critical and essential location based on proximity to existing gravity sewer pipelines. At a subsequent date, CVWD plans to replace and relocate the existing Lift Station 55-12 odor control unit on the property.

No ground disturbance or construction is included in the purchase agreement. The Parcel is not located with or immediately adjacent to a conservation area associated with the Coachella Valley Multiples Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP). The project is not subject to the Coachella Valley Association of Governments Local Development Mitigation Fee because the project location is an existing, disturbed parcel.

Lead Agency Approving Project and Contact:

Coachella Valley Water District; Chris Bogan, Engineering Technical Services Supervisor
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Exempt Status:

- ☐ Not a project: State CEQA Guidelines §15378
- ☒ **Review for Exemption/Common Sense Exemption:** State CEQA Guideline §15061(b)(3)
- ☐ **Ministerial:** (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guideline §15268)
- ☐ **Declared Emergency:** (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guideline §15269(a))
- ☐ **Emergency Project:** 15269(b)
- ☐ **Statutory Exempt:** State CEQA Guidelines §15277
- ☒ **Categorically Exempt** State CEQA Guidelines: §15301

Reasons why project is exempt:

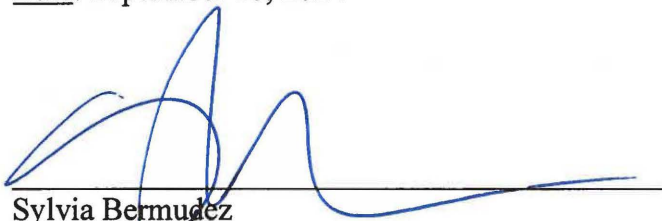
State CEQA Guidelines §15301 Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. This includes existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services; restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety unless it is determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as earthquake, landslide, or flood.

State CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) (Review for Exemption) states an activity is covered by the common sense exemption where CEQA applies only to a project and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the activity may have a significant effect on the environment.

Environmental Contact Person:

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Date: September 10, 2024



Sylvia Bermudez
Clerk of the Board

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

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