

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
Innovation, State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2024120421

PROJECT NUMBER: C-06-8849-110

PROJECT TITLE: Return Activated Sludge Pump Station Replacement Project
(Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is funding the Project referred to internally as Return Activated Sludge Pump Station Replacement Project. The Project involves the replacement and rehabilitation of several aging facilities on the South Tahoe Public Utility District's existing wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The Project components include:

1. Building a new centralized return activated sludge/waste activated sludge pump Station building of approximately 1,800 square feet within the existing WWTP facility,
2. Seismically retrofitting and upgrading the existing sludge pump station building, and
3. Rehabilitating three hydraulic structures.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved financing for the Project described above on May 06, 2026 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The South Tahoe Public Utility District will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 1: Existing Facilities

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15301)

Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15302)

Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project involves the repair of existing public structures, facilities, and mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The Project involves the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. The Project involves the construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures.

LEAD AGENCY: South Tahoe Public Utility District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Donielle Morse

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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