

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21108.

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Project Title: Permit No. 20012 – Kernville Raw Water Intake Upgrade Project

Project Applicant: California Water Service; 7138 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella, CA, 93240; Kellen Boyce; Operations Manager; 661-595-5609; kboyce@calwater.com

Lead Agency/Address/Contact Person: State Water Resources Control Board; 4925 Commerce Drive Suite 120, Bakersfield, CA, 93309; Jesse Dhaliwal; District Engineer; 661-335-7318; jesse.dhaliwal@waterboards.ca.gov

Project Location/City/County: The project is located in the community of Kernville, near Kernville Road and Siretta Street, at 35.75568°N 118.42295°W, Kern River, Kern County.

Project Description: Approval of Permit No. 20012, under California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Article 3, Section 6, for work within an adopted plan of flood control: To construct a replacement raw water in-channel intake system along the west bank of the Kern River within the Kern River Designated Floodway. The intake system consists of a concrete intake structure with cone screen and intake piping, two intake pumps within a new pump vault, with fencing, and an electrical equipment platform. Rip rap and rock slope protection will be installed around the intake structure to allow water to flow into the structure. To remove an existing air tank, concrete foundation pad, air piping, temporary pump building and concrete foundation, existing above ground intake piping, existing electrical panels, existing overhead utility lines, and trees as needed. To remediate areas upstream and downstream including the removal of approximately 20 cubic yards of concrete blocks along the eastern project area. To authorize an existing raw water intake system consisting of a steel pole with antenna and a pump vault with intake pipe and fish screen to back up the new facility. A temporary coffer dam will be utilized during construction.

This is to advise that the Board, as the **Responsible Agency**, approved the above-described project on 4/15/2026 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [will / will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within the Board’s permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / A Mitigated Negative Declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [were / were not] made a condition of the Board’s approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [was / was not] adopted by the Board for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was / was not] adopted by the Board for this project.
6. Findings [were / were not] made by the Board pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Responsible Agency Statement: The Mitigated Negative Declaration, prepared by the lead agency for the project, is available to the general public at the lead agency’s office listed above. The Board’s administrative record related to the encroachment permit is available for public review at the Board’s office.

Chris Lief

4/15/2026

Signature

Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

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Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21100-21174, Public Resources Code.