



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Sacramento Municipal Utility District
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Lead Agency: Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD)

Project Title: SMUD Poles 1056 and 1057 Replacement Project

Project Applicant: SMUD, 6201 S Street, MS B209, Sacramento, CA 95817

Project Location: The project site is located on the west side of Howe Avenue with Poles 1056 and 1057 situated approximately 630 feet and 115 feet from the Howe Avenue/Cottage Way intersection, respectively.

Project Description: The SMUD Utility Poles 1056 and 1057 Replacement Project (Project) consists of replacing two 75-foot high 230-kilovolt (kV) steel utility poles with new poles of similar size and design in the same approximate locations. The replacement poles will be at near equal diameter as the existing poles at ground base level. The purpose for the pole replacements is to replace aging poles.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: SMUD

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: SMUD

Exempt Status (Check One)


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| Ministerial (CEQA PRC Section 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines Section 15268) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Declared Emergency (CEQA PRC Section 21080(b)(3); CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(a)) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Emergency Project (CEQA PRC Section 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b)(c)) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Categorical Exemption (CEQA PRC Section 21080(b)(9), 21084; CEQA Guidelines Section 15302, Replacement or Reconstruction) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3)) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Statutory Exemptions | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

SMUD has reviewed and determined that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Section 15302 (Replacement and Reconstruction). Section 15302 states that "Class 2 consists of 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..." Thus, the Project consists of replacing two existing utility poles with replacement poles in the same approximate location that would result in no change or expansion of use. Therefore, no further environmental review is required.

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Date

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Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Lead Agency

Signed by Lead Agency ☒

Signed by Lead Applicant ☐

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