

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): _____

(Address)

Project Title: _____

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific:

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: _____

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: _____

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Lead Agency

Contact Person: _____ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

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: Charles Masters Date: _____ Title: _____

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: _____



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
E202510000151
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY CITY OF FRESNO	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 06/16/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING FRESNO COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER E202510000151	

PROJECT TITLE
 SECURITY FENCE IMPROVEMENTS AT PUMP STATIONS 144, 165, AND 174, WC00074-WSSIS

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CITY OF FRESNO	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (559) 621-8835
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 747 R STREET, SECOND FLOOR	CITY FRESNO	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93721

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$	<u>0.00</u>

- Exempt from fee
- Notice of Exemption (attach)
- CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash Credit Check Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE <i>Cyan Edmisten</i> X Cyan Edmisten	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Cyan Edmisten Deputy Clerk
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County of Fresno
Clerk's Office
James A. Kus

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Clerk Services Department
(559) 600-2575

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Description	Fee
EIR Administrative Fee	
Time Recorded: 3:55 PM	
Recording Fee:	\$50.00
<hr/> Total Amount Due	<hr/> \$50.00
Total Paid	
Credit Card #316583002	\$50.00
Amount Due	\$0.00

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THANK YOU
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FROM: City of Fresno
Department of CAPITAL PROJECTS
747 R St., 2nd Floor
Fresno, California 93721-4016

TO: Fresno County Clerk
2220 Tulare Street
Fresno, California 93721

Office of Planning & Research SCH NO.: N/A
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, California 95812-3044

FILED
JUN 16 2025 TIME 3:55pm
FRESNO COUNTY CLERK
By Cyan Edmisten DEPUTY
Cyan Edmisten

Project Title: Security Fence Improvements at Pump Stations 144, 165 and 174, WC00074-WSSIS

Project Location: Pump Station 144 (APN: 303-201-33T), Pump Station 165 (APN: 453-240-22T) and Pump Station 174 (APN: 442-021-50T)

Project Location – City: City of Fresno **Project Location – County:** County of Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Improve (Pump Station 144) or remove and replace (Pump Stations 165 and 174) existing fencing to improve security at the project locations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fresno – Department of Capital Projects, Utilities and On-Site Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Charles Masters, Project Manager (Applicant)

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial: PRC § 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines §15268
- Declared Emergency: PRC § 21080(b)(3); CEQA Guidelines §15269(a)
- Emergency Project: PRC § 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines §15269(b) and (c)
- Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15301/Class 1 and §15302/Class 2
- Statutory Exemption: PRC § _____

Reasons why project is exempt: Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and determined that it falls within the Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301/Class 1 which exempts projects that relate to the operation, repair, maintenance, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures and facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time. Examples include exterior or alterations including interior partitions, existing streets, gutters, sidewalks, additions to structures that are less than 2,500 square feet.

The proposed project involves fencing improvements of existing fencing at existing publicly owned facilities used to provide municipal water services to the public. These improvements will not expand the existing facilities and will enhance the safety of both City Employees and the Public by reducing incidents of break-in and theft at these locations.

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and determined that it falls within the Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15302/Class 2 which exempts projects where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will

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have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. Examples include but are not limited to replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. The proposed project involves fencing improvements which will be of substantially the same purpose and will cause no expansion of capacity at the locations.

Furthermore, Staff has determined that none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Charles Masters **Telephone No.** (559) 621-8835

Signature: Charles Masters **Date:** 06/16/2025

Printed Name:
Charles Masters
Department of Capital Projects, Utilities and On-Site Division

Signed by Lead Agency **Signed by applicant**

Attachments: Categorical Exemption Determination

CITY OF FRESNO
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. WC00074-WSSIS

THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETERMINED TO BE CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES.

APPLICANT: Charles Masters
Engineer II
City of Fresno Capital Projects Department
747 R Street, 2nd Floor
Fresno, CA 93721

PROJECT LOCATION: Pump Station 144 (APN 30320133T), Pump Station 165 (45324022T) and Pump Station 174 (44202150T)
City of Fresno Council Districts 6 and 7 and County of Fresno Supervisorial District 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Fresno, Public Utilities Department is proposing to remove and replace existing fencing at 3 pump stations, which are subject to elevated levels of break-in and theft. Pump Station 144 is located on APN 30320133T in Council District 6, Pump Station 165 is located on APN 45324022T in Council District 7 and Pump Station 174 is located on APN 44202150T in County of Fresno Supervisorial District 1. At Pump Station 144 a steel topper with anti-intrusion pickets will be installed atop the existing wall; at Pump Stations 165 and 174 the existing fencing will be removed and replaced with steel fencing with anti-intrusion pickets.

This project is exempt under Sections 15301/Class 1 and 15302/Class 2 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

EXPLANATION:

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and determined that it falls within the Categorical Exemption set forth in State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301/Class 1 (Existing Facilities), which exempts existing facilities under certain conditions. Staff found that the conditions are met.

Class 1 exemptions, for projects pertaining to Existing Facilities, consist 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 use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Examples

include but are not limited to: Existing facilities of publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services; existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety); restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety; and, the Addition of safety or health protection devices for use during construction of or in conjunction with existing structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment, or topographical features including navigational devices.

The proposed project involves fencing improvements of existing fencing at existing publicly owned facilities used to provide municipal water services to the public. These improvements will not expand the existing facilities and will enhance the safety of both City Employees and the Public by reducing incidents of break-in and theft at these locations.

Class 2 exemptions, for projects pertaining to Replacement or Reconstruction, 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, including but not limited to: Replacement or reconstruction of existing schools and hospitals to provide earthquake resistant structures which do not increase capacity more than 50 percent; Replacement of a commercial structure with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose, and capacity; Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity; Conversion of overhead electric utility distribution system facilities to underground including connection to existing overhead electric utility distribution lines where the surface is restored to the condition existing prior to the undergrounding.

The proposed project involves fencing improvements which will be of substantially the same purpose and will cause no expansion of capacity at the locations.

None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to this project. The project site is not located in or near a State designated scenic highway, nor is it included in any listed compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code or a historical resource. The project replaces existing fencing and there is no risk of cumulative impact, nor will there be a significant effect as a result of the project.

Date: June 12, 2025

Prepared By: Charles Masters
Engineer II

Submitted by: Charles Masters
Charles Masters
Engineer II
City of Fresno
Capital Projects Department
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