

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: Sonoma

From: (Public Agency): _____
California State University, Sonoma
1801 East Cotati Avenue, Rohnert Park, CA 94928
(Address)

Project Title: Pond Modernization Project

Project Applicant: California State University, Sonoma

Project Location - Specific:
Sonoma State University Campus, between the Art Building and Botanic Garden

Project Location - City: Rohnert Park Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project includes temporary dewatering of each pond to remove excess sediment, reline, and repair the existing water piping system between the two ponds. In addition, the project would install aeration, filtration, and pumping systems with the overall intent to modernize the backup fire water and reclaimed water system and increase oxygen levels in the ponds.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California State University, Sonoma

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Campus Planning, Design & Construction

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: Class 1, Section 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____


Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1: The project would repair and restore two existing constructed ponds to their original capacity and function.
Emergency Project: The ponds are part of the campus's fire water source system, providing additional water supply and pressure to augment recycled water deliveries from the City (which may be curtailed without warning). These improvements will mitigate an imminent risk of wildfire consistent with the Governor's proclamation of statewide emergency on March , 2025.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Dana Twedell Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-664-2317

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:  Date: 6/23/25 Title: AVP-7M
 Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.