

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate  
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**FROM:**

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**Project Applicant:** New Hope Community Church

**Project Title:** New Hope Community Church- Well 4- Replacement Well (Project)

**Project Location:** 4620 Nees Clovis, CA 9361

**Project County:** Fresno

**Project Description:** The New Hope Community Church (Applicant) will install a ~16-foot<sup>2</sup> concrete pad and drill a 300-foot deep, 50-gallon per minute (gpm) well (Well 4) to replace an old 50-gpm well (Well 2). The Applicant will connect the new well to electricity and install a ~75 foot long pipe to connect the new well to the existing water system. A fence will also be installed around the well. The Applicant will destroy the old well. The new well will help provide water for the operation of the Applicant's water system.

**Public Agency Approving the Project:** State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)

This is to advise that the State Water Board has issued a well site approval for the above-described Project on July 15, 2025. A record of well site approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water district office listed above.

### **CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**

**Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction** Cal. Code of Regs., section 15302

**Reason Why the Project Is Exempt:** The Project is exempt because it is the replacement of an existing well and addition of accessory components consisting of the replacement of existing utilities and/or facilities involving negligible expansion of capacity. None of the exceptions listed in section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the proposed Project.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Environmental Scientist