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Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

Filing Fee (new project)

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Notice of Exemption (NOE)

Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: _____

2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: _____

3. PROJECT TITLE: _____

4. APPLICANT NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

5. APPLICANT EMAIL: _____

6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: _____

7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A: Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR _____ DAYS.

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Public Notice
Notice of Exemption



To: Santa Clara County
Clerks Office, Business Division
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose CA 95110

From: Santa Clara Valley Water District
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose CA 95118-3686
Telephone (408) 265-2600

Project Title: Guadalupe River Behind Tonino Drive Encroachment Remediation

Project Location—Specific: Guadalupe River behind Tonino Drive

Project Location-City: San Jose

Project Location-County: Santa Clara

Project Purpose: To remediate encroachments by removing stored items and planted vegetation from Valley Water fee title properties.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water)

Name of Agency or Person Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Exempt Status: (*check one*)

- Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
- Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(c)];
- Categorical Exemptions [§15304; Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land]
- Statutory Exemptions [*State code number*].

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project qualifies for the following exemption:

Class 4 Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15304: Minor Alterations to Land)

Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

None of the exceptions noted under the CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 apply.

Description of Project:

The Project involves the removal of non-riparian vegetation (Morning glory vines, bitter cherry shrub, Mexican palm, Yucca, Agave, bird of paradise, Japanese spindle, various succulents, Spanish broom brush, philodendron, Himalayan blackberry, and cactus) and 19 trees (fruit, privet, black walnut, and Chinese pistache) that range between 3- to 12-inch diameter at breast height on Valley Water fee title properties (APN 458-17-004 and 458-17-003) in the City of San Jose. The stump and roots of the trees would remain in place. The Project site is beyond top of bank along Guadalupe Creek Trail with non-riparian vegetation and trees. Valley Water’s standard Best Management Practices (BMPs) would be incorporated into the Project. The purpose of the Project is to remediate encroachments by removing stored items and planted vegetation from Valley Water fee title properties.

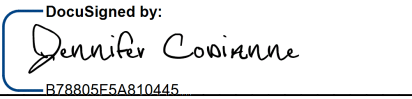
Construction vehicles and equipment would include an excavator, skid steer, trash compactor, flatbed truck, crew truck, and hand tools. Construction vehicles and equipment would access the site via Branham Lane. Staging would be confined to the Project site on Valley Water fee title properties (APN 458-17-004 and 458-17-003). Work would only occur Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. The Project would be completed in approximately two (2) business days.

Lead Agency: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Contact Person: Lawrence Truong

Area Code/Telephone/Extension

(408) 630-2916

Signature:  _____
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Date: 8/4/2025

Title: Jennifer Codianne
Deputy Operating Officer
Watershed Operations and Maintenance Division

Cc: CEQA Administrative Record