

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: Monterey
 168 Allsall Street, 1st Floor
 Salinas, CA 93901

From: (Public Agency): County of Monterey EHB
1270 Natividad Road
Salinas, CA 93906

(Address)

Project Title: Well Permit 26-000125

Project Applicant: Merrill Farms LLC

Project Location - Specific:

APN 203-041-002-000. Replacement Agricultural Irrigation Well

Project Location - City: Salinas Project Location - County: Monterey

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Site Address: 13650 Reservation Road, Salinas CA 93908
 Replacement Agricultural Irrigation Well
 GPS Coordinates: 36.650225 N, -121.715041 W

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Monterey County Environmental Health

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pacific Coast Well Drilling, Inc. C-57#: 927400

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: 15302 (c)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This activity qualifies for a Class 2 categorical exemption under Section 15302(c) of the CEQA Guidelines which allows for replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. The new replacement well does not propose to serve additional connections and will not result in expansion of capacity. The project has been found to be consistent with Monterey County Codes, Policies, and Regulations.

Lead Agency
 Contact Person: Roger Van Horn, Supervisor REHS Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (831) 755-4763

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: *Roger Van Horn* Date: 9-2-25 Title: Supervisor EHB

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: _____