



STANISLAUS COUNTY CLERK  
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

Mail to: City of Modesto, Utilities Dept., ESD

Name: Mary Ogas

Address: 1010 Tenth Street, Suite 4600

City, State, Zip: Modesto, CA 95354

50-2025-169

**FILED**

September 10, 2025  
DONNA LINDER  
STANISLAUS COUNTY  
CLERK-RECORDER

By: *J. Merado*  
Deputy Clerk

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Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

Highway 99 Water Main Crossings Improvements  
(I Street, G Street, and Sierra Drive)

Check Document being Filed:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type): Notice of Determination

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE STANISLAUS COUNTY CLERK ON <u>Sept 10, 2025</u>	
Posted <u>Sept 10, 2025</u>	Removed <u>Oct 15, 2025</u>
Returned to agency on _____	
DEPUTY	<u>J. Merado</u>

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

# STATEMENT OF EXEMPTION

To:  Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth St., Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: City of Modesto  
P.O. Box 642  
Modesto, CA 95353

County Clerk  
County of Stanislaus

E.A./UTL No: 202506

Project Title:

Highway 99 Water Main Crossings Improvements (I Street, G Street, and Sierra Drive)

Project Location – Specific:

The project is located on sections of three City streets that cross with Highway 99:  
I Street, G Street, and Sierra Drive.

Project Location – City:

Modesto

Project Location – County:

Stanislaus

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will strengthen & replace approximately 1,220 LF of water mains along three bridge overcrossings, across Highway 99 in Central Modesto. The water mains are located within existing steel casings installed in the bridge overcrossings along I Street, G Street, and Sierra Drive. These crossing mains are important to the City's water system due to being the distribution points between the Northeast side of Hwy 99 and the Southwest side. The existing water mains are old and undersized cast iron steel mains which are prone to leaking and having low pressures. This project will replace and upgrade the existing mains with City Standard water mains to improve system reliability, flows, and pressures.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

City of Modesto

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

City of Modesto

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));  
 Article 19 – Categorical Exemption – Section 15302 Class 1 (b)(c); 15303 (d)  
 Other

Reason Why Project is Exempt:

The project description is in accordance to the Categorical Exemption criteria for Sections 15301 Class 1 (b); 15301 (c); 15303 (d) pertaining the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing water mains and services involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that was existing; the replacement or reconstruction of existing water mains and services involving negligible or no expansion of capacity; and new construction of water main extensions and services of reasonable length to serve such construction.

Contact Person:

David A. Felix, Associate Engineer

Area Code/Telephone:

(209) 577-5488

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

Date Received for Filing: 8/28/2025

Signature: David A. Felix

David A. Felix

Title: Associate Engineer



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

**Print**    **Start Over**    **Save**

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
50-09/10/2025-130

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY CITY OF MODESTO	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 09/10/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING STANISLAUS COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER 50-2025-169	
PROJECT TITLE HIGHWAY 99 WATER MAIN CROSSINGS IMPROVEMENTS (I STREET, G STREET, AND SIERRA DRIVE)		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CITY OF MODESTO	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (209) 577-5488
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS PO BOX 642	CITY MODESTO	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95353

**PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)**

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

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)    \$ 4,123.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)    \$ 2,968.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW    \$ 1,401.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)    \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 County documentary handling fee    \$ 57.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 57.00  
 Other    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Cash     Credit     Check     Other 620026    **TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 57.00**

SIGNATURE <b>X</b> <i>Jennifer Mercado</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Jennifer Mercado Deputy Clerk
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**2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
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**NOTICE**

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

**COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

**Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):**

- Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- Mail filing fees for CRP document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a **No Effect Determination** signed by CDFW, also:

- Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

**Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))**

- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

**Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected**, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

**The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:**

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month
- ✓ A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

**DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

**RECEIPT NUMBER**

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

**DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.**

**Mail to:**

California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 Accounting Services Branch  
 P.O. Box 944209  
 Sacramento, California 94244-2090

Donna Linder  
Stanislaus  
County Clerk-Recorder  
1021 "I" Street  
Modesto, CA 95354  
(209) 525-5279

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Receipt No.: RPT20250000051085

Finalization No.: 2025302119

Cashier: JJM

Register: CHLSEV2

Date/Time: 09/10/2025 12:02 PM

<u>Description</u>	<u>Fee</u>
<u>Notice of Exemption</u>	
Filing Time:	12:02 PM
Filing Total:	\$0.00
<u>Administration Fee</u>	
Filing Time:	12:02 PM
Filing Fee:	\$57.00
Filing Total:	\$57.00
<u>Total Amount Due:</u>	
	\$57.00
<u>Total Paid</u>	
Check Tendered:	\$57.00
#620026	
Amount Due:	\$0.00

THANK YOU  
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE