

Notice of Exemption

Form D

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 212
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
715 P Street, Sacramento CA 95814

County Clerk
County of _____

(Address)

Project Title: SJFD Canal Liner Repairs and Rehabilitation, Coastal Branch

Project Location - Specific:
Coordinates: 35°49'48"N, 119°55'7" W to 35°45'15"N, 119°58'49"W

Project Location – City: _____ Project Location – County: Kings and Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Department of Water Resources will work with a Contractor to perform repairs to the California Aqueduct and Coastal Branch. Work will include repairing or replacing cracked and buckled concrete panels, filling voids and repairing erosions. Voids in and behind the Aqueduct liner will occur on the waterside of the embankment roadways. Grouting will include injecting high-pressure grout fed by a pump truck. Erosion repairs involves installing new water stops, concrete panels, and joint sealants. Spoils will be hauled offsite to a proper disposal location. Staging and access will be along existing roadways and turnouts adjacent to the Aqueducts. All work will be within DWR right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

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, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301(b)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and important services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves routine maintenance activities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. The Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance as this activity will be implemented without environmental impacts.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Sara Lowry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 902-7709

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: Sara Lowry Date: 10/14/2025 Title: Manager, Environmental Regulatory Compliance Section

- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____
- Signed by Applicant

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