State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research,
1400 Tenth Street Room 113, Sacramento, California 95814

From: State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights,
Post Office Box 2000, Sacramento, California 95812-2000

Subject: Filing of Notice of Exemption in compliance with
Public Resources Code section 21108

Public Agency Information

Name: State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights,
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What is the public agency's role? Lead Agency

Project Information

Title: Water Right Permit Applications A033371 and A033403

Applicant: Joshua Soske Bypass Trust

Location: The project is located near the intersection of Corning Road and 10th Avenue, 3.5 miles west of Corning in Tehama County.

Description: The applications propose the diversion to storage of up to 42.9 and 26 acre-feet of water per year, respectively, from two unnamed streams tributary to Jewett Creek thence the Sacramento River. Water would be diverted from October 1 of each year to March 15 of the succeeding year, and diverted water would be stored and used for stockwatering, incidental recreational, and incidental fish and wildlife preservation and enhancement.

Exemptions

This is to advise that the State Water Resources Control Board as Lead Agency has approved the above-described project on October 24, 2025 and has independently concluded that such approval is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the following reasons:

1. The project meets the Class 1 categorical exemption for existing facilities. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15301.) The project involves negligible or no expansion of use beyond what existed at the time the State Water Board approved the change.

2. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15061, subd. (b)(3).)

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Name: Amanda Montgomery

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Date: October 24, 2025