SHASTA VALLEY
RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

PROJECT TITLE	Scott Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation
PROJECT LOCATION	The project is located in the greater area of Fort Jones, California Legal Description: T44N, R10W sections 25 & 36; T43N, R9W sections 23, 24, 35; T42N, R9W section 11 **COUNTY** Siskiyou
LEAD AGENCY	Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District (SVRCD)
CONTACT	Renee Main, Shasta Valley RCD
ADDRESS	215 Executive Ct Ste A **PHONE** 530-572-3120 Yreka, CA 96097

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District (SVRCD) on behalf of the Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District serving as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the Scott River Valley Groundwater Basin 1-005 proposes to construct ten (10) new dedicated shallow groundwater monitoring wells, in proximity to the Scott River, within the greater Fort Jones, CA area. These monitoring wells will provide the basis for continuous shallow groundwater elevation data, periodic water chemistry samples, and improved data resolution and understanding of the relationship between groundwater and surface water. Additionally, these wells supplement existing monitored wells and will help elucidate the temporal and spatial relationship between groundwater levels and water surface elevation of the Scott River, which provides habitat for native fishes, including coho, Chinook, Steelhead, and Pacific Lamprey. The project footprint is relatively small (approximately 100 sq. ft. per well, 1,000 sq. ft. total). A truck mounted 6-inch diameter hollow-stem auger will be used for all borings. Eight (8) of the borings will be drilled to a depth of 30-ft. or less. Two (2) of the borings will be drilled to a depth of 60-ft. or less. Monitoring wells will be constructed on active working pastures and existing ranch roads will be utilized for equipment and staging. A workplan including conceptual rendering of the well construction and maps of the Project area are included.

Key actions include marking well locations, identifying underground utilities, mobilization and drilling of monitoring wells, installation of casing and sanitary seal in accordance with local, state, and USGS requirements. Monitoring wells will include a locking 3-ft. well casing cover to protect the monitoring wells.

This project aims to improve the temporal and spatial data resolution which will inform groundwater modeling efforts and various management actions within the Scott River Valley Groundwater Basin 1-005.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- ☒ Categorical Exemption — Type/Section: Class 4 §15304 (e) Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- ☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

Public Resources Code, Division 13, Chapter 6, Article 19, Section 15304 allows minor alteration of vegetation including fuel management activities to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, provided the activities do not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant/animal species, or cause significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. Minimal ground disturbance is expected from this amended project. A current CNDDB and USFWS search was conducted. The project as proposed will not have a negative impact upon any listed species of plant or animal with potential to be found within the project area.

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING

11/10/25

Rod Dowse, District Manager — Date
Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District

FILED
Siskiyou County
NOV 10 2025
LAURA BYNUM, CLERK
BY: ENDORSED-E. FRANCO
Deputy Clerk

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL FEE FORM

On 11/10/25 (Date), Shasta Valley RCD (Name) filed an application for development with the Siskiyou County (Name of City). Before the application is accepted as complete for processing, fees in the following amount(s) must be deposited with the County Clerk.

☒	Clerk Processing Fee	$50.00
☐	Negative Declaration	$2,968.75*
☐	EIR	$4,123.50
☒	Categorically Exempt	$0.00
☐	Statutorily Exempt	$0.00
☐	Fee Exemption issued by the DFG	$0.00
☐	Other _____	$_____

No project shall be operative, vested or final until the required fee is paid. *Public Resources Code* §21089 (b)

On 11/10/2025 (Date), Shasta Valley RCD (Name) deposited $ 50.00,

with the Siskiyou County Clerk ENDORSED-E. FRANCO (Attest).

Application No. N/A (To be completed when application is received for processing)

Receipt # 202500461547-11/10/2025-058

* If it is determined by Siskiyou County that the fee required for a Negative Declaration does not apply to your project a refund will be granted.

2025 Fee.Form

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 [redacted] Save

RECEIPT NUMBER:
47-11/10/2025-058

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER *(If applicable)*

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
SVRCD		11/10/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER
SISKIYOU COUNTY		2025-47-058

PROJECT TITLE

SCOTT VALLEY BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
RENEE MAIN			
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
215 EXECUTION CT STE A	YREKA	CA	96097

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	$ 50.00	$ 50.00
☐ Other		$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☒ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other **TOTAL RECEIVED** $ 50.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X [signature]	Esmeralda Franco Deputy Clerk

ORIGINAL - PROJECT APPLICANT COPY - CDFW/ASB COPY - LEAD AGENCY COPY - COUNTY CLERK DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01012025)

Laura Bynum
Siskiyou
County Clerk/Registrar of Voters
311 4th St., Rm. 201
Yreka, CA 96097
(530) 842-8084

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Receipt No.: RPT20250000000752
Finalization No.: 2025004615
Cashier: efranco
Register: CLK-044
Date/Time: 11/10/2025 10:40 AM

Description	Fee
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION	
Filing Time:	10:40 AM
Filing Total:	$50.00
Filing Fee:	$50.00
Total Amount Due:	$50.00
Total Paid	
Cash Tendered:	$50.00
Amount Due:	$0.00

THANK YOU
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE