NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FROM: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

TO: California State Clearinghouse, 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Orange County Water District Anaheim Lake Sediment Disposal Project

Project Location: The proposed will be located at Anaheim Lake, an artificial groundwater replenishment basin owned and operated by the Orange County Water District (OCWD). Anaheim Lake occurs northwest of the intersection of Miraloma Avenue and North Tustin Avenue in the City of Anaheim. The coordinates for the site are 33.865800299092655, -117.8462622530572.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project consists of the sorting and removal of approximately 20,000 cubic yards of material from the site that was previously excavated from the basin during the course of ordinary operations and maintenance activities. The materials would be hauled away by trucks to be utilized as-needed by a private aggregate/materials contractor for other purposes at off-site location(s).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Exempt Status: (Check One)

____ Not a Project (Section 15378)

____ Ministerial (Section 15268)

____ Feasibility and Planning Study (Section 15262)

____ Emergency Project (Section 15269)

X Categorical Exemption. (Class 1, Section 15301)

____ Not to be approved (Section 15270)

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project falls under the Exemption for Existing Facilities (Class 1) because it consists of the removal of sediment that had been removed from the existing groundwater replenishment facility under ordinary operations and maintenance activities. The removal of the material would not result in any expansion of the existing facility or use.

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding

2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?

__X_ Yes ____ No.

Signature: _____

Date: September 1, 2025

Contact Person: Shawn Nevill

Principal Planner

Date Received for Filing: _____

Exhibit 1

PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

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Entity or Person Undertaking Project: Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

Staff Determination: The staff of the Orange County Water District, having undertaken and completed a preliminary review of this project in accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines has concluded that this project does not require further environmental assessment because:

____ 1. The project involves another public agency which constitutes the Lead Agency.

Name of Agency _____

____ 2. The proposed action does not constitute a project within the meaning of Section 15378.

____ 3. The project is a Ministerial Project under Section 15268.

____ 4. The project is an Emergency Project under Section 15269.

____ 5. The project constitutes a Feasibility or Planning Study under Section 15262.

____ 6. The proposal will not be approved as provided in Section 15270.

__X_ 7. The project is Categorically Exempt under Article 19 commencing with Section 15300 - Applicable Exemption Class 1.

Signature: _____

Contact Person: Shawn Nevill, Principal Planner

Date: September 1, 2025