NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Applicant: Willowside Mutual Water Company

Project Title: Willowside Mutual Water Company Operation of Well 4 (Project)

Project Location: 60 Oak Tree Drive, Sant Rosa, CA 95401, APN 130-361-014

Project County: Sanoma

Project Description: The Applicant proposes to operate replacement Well 4 and decommission Well 2. Well 4 has been constructed and the system is currently relying on only one well (Well 3) with no backup source. The Applicant was cited for unreliable operation concerns coupled with potential backflow hazards.

Public Agency Approving the Project: State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)

This is to advise that the State Water Board has issued an emergency approval to the Applicant to operate the above-described Project on December 1, 2025. A record of approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Drinking Water district office listed above.

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:

Emergency Projects Cal. Code of Regs., section 15269(b)&(c)

Reason Why the Project Is Exempt: The Project is exempt because it is necessary to maintain the domestic water service essential to public health and to prevent the service area from losing their domestic water supply when the system must shut down a well for repairs or maintenance.

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.