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LEAD AGENCY SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL LHOLM@VALLEYWATER.ORG	DATE 12/04/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SANTA CLARA	DOCUMENT NUMBER	
PROJECT TITLE 2025 CVP WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AND		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (ATTN:	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL LHOLM@VALLEYWATER.ORG	PHONE NUMBER (408)630-3241
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 5750 ALMADEN EXPRESSWAY	CITY SAN JOSE	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95118

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
☐ Other		\$	

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**SANTA CLARA COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

County of Santa Clara - Clerk-Recorder's Office
State of California

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LOUIS CHIARAMONTE, Clerk-Recorder

By: Fraulein Dominguez, Deputy Clerk-Recorder

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- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ Filing Fee (new project)
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 - ☐ No Effect Determination (F&W letter must be attached)
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- ☒ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: Santa Clara Valley Water District
2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: lholm@valleywater.org
3. PROJECT TITLE: 2025 CVP Water Transfer Agreement between Santa Clara Valley Water District and San Benito County Water District
4. APPLICANT NAME: Santa Clara Valley Water District (Attn: Lisa Holm) PHONE: 408-630-3241
5. APPLICANT EMAIL: lholm@valleywater.org
6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118
7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A: ☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity
8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR 30 DAYS.

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

Public Notice
Notice of Exemption



To: Santa Clara County
Clerks-Recorder's Office
110 W Tasman Drive – First Floor
San Jose, CA 95134

From: Santa Clara Valley Water District
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118-3686
Telephone (408) 265-2600

Project Title: 2025 CVP Water Transfer Agreement between Santa Clara Valley Water District and San Benito County Water District

Project Location-Specific: various

Project Location-City: various

Project Location-County: San Benito and Santa Clara counties

Project Purpose: Agreement to transfer Central Valley Project water from Valley Water to San Benito County Water District

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Valley Water

Name of Agency or Person Carrying Out Project: Valley Water

Exempt Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial [§21080(b)(1); 15268]
- ☐ Declared Emergency [§21080(b)(3); 15269(a)]
- ☐ Emergency Project [§21080(b)(c); 15269(b)(c)]
- ☒ Categorical Exemptions [§15301, Existing Facilities]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

This transfer consists of the contractual right to convey water involving the continued operation of existing water supply diversion, storage, and conveyance facilities. No new facilities are necessary, and Valley Water's annual water supply use would not change. The action would involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former uses and facilities. These activities meet the parameters of utilization of existing facilities described in CEQA Guidelines §15301.

The activities called out in the Agreement all meet the requirements of CEQA Guidelines §15301 and are eligible for the Exemption. The Agreement does not include or allow any factors that would preempt the Project's eligibility per CEQA Guidelines §15300.2.

Description of Project

San Benito County Water District (San Benito) and Valley Water are both Central Valley Project (CVP) contractors under the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) South of Delta Accelerated Water Transfer Program (AWTP). The AWTP operates under a five-year term and is meant to facilitate efficient water management between CVP contractors through annual transfers or exchanges while reducing costs and redundant environmental reviews associated with these transactions.

Valley Water proposes to request that Reclamation transfer 3,000 acre-feet (AF) of Valley Water's CVP supplies to San Benito in 2025 prior to the termination of the current five-year agreement on February 28, 2026. Once the Agreement is signed, Valley Water will apply for approval of this water transfer from Reclamation.

Agency Contact Person: Lisa Holm, Valley Water

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (408) 630-3241

Signature: Lisa Holm

Date: 12/03/25

Title: Lisa Holm
Associate Environmental Planner

cc: CEQA Administrative Record