

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
715 P Street, Sacramento CA 95814

(Address)

County Clerk

County of _____

Project Title: Thermalito Power Canal Crack and Spall Repair (OM-OFD-2025-003)

Project Location - Specific:

Coordinates: 39° 31' 43.83" N, 121° 32' 47.04" W. Cross Streets: Thompson Flat Cemetery Rd, Cherokee Rd
SWP Facility: Thermalito Power Canal Headworks Structure

Project Location – City: OrovilleProject Location – County: Butte

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR staff and Contractor will repair cracks and spalls at the Thermalito Power Canal structure. The Bay 3 breastwall support will be repaired by constructing and installing stainless steel brackets. Spalls will be cleaned and repaired using a cementitious repair mortar that is approved for wet applications. Compressible filler will be added between the repair mortar and the underside of the breastwall. The hoist deck will be repaired by filling the existing gap between the top of the breastwall and bottom of the deck with non-shrink grout. All staging and work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water ResourcesName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water ResourcesExempt Status: **(check one)**

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and critical services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves essential maintenance activities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. The Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance as this activity will be implemented without any environmental impacts.

Lead Agency

Contact Person:

Sara LowryArea Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 902-7709**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature: Sara Lowry Date: 12/17/2025 Title: Environmental Program Manager, DWR

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

☐ Signed by Applicant

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