

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
Innovation, State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: To be generated by State Clearinghouse.

PROJECT NUMBER: 8640-110

PROJECT TITLE: Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: 27800 Stallion Springs Drive, Stallion Springs, 93561, Kern County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade. The project will evaluate, design, and develop documents necessary to address the District's Time Schedule Order R5-2020-0901, for compliance with final effluent limitations for total ammonia and pH. The Time Schedule Order requires the District to monitor and evaluate ammonia and pH in effluent, develop and implement alternatives for total ammonia and pH control, and construct new treatment controls and/or modify the existing treatment process.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved funding for the Project described above on January 7, 2026, and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Stallion Springs Community Services District will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:**Class 6: Information Collection**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:**Feasibility and Planning Studies**

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262)

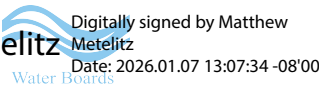
REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project is exempt from CEQA, as the Project scope involves planning and feasibility studies, data collection, research, and experimental management and resource evaluation activities.

LEAD AGENCY: Stallion Springs Community Services District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Laura Lynne Wyatt

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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