

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: 2026010706

PROJECT NUMBER: EDWG-5410010-019C

PROJECT TITLE: Grandview Gardens and East Plano Consolidation Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located throughout the Grandview Gardens and the East Plano water systems, in the City of Porterville, within Tulare County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is funding the Project referred to internally as Grandview Gardens and East Plano Consolidation with Porterville. The Project includes the consolidation of the East Plano and the Grandview Gardens water systems into the City of Porterville's community water system.

- The East Plano water system consolidation involves the installation of approximately 600 feet of eight-inch polyvinyl chloride (PVC) water main and 980 feet of four-inch PVC water main, along with 14 one-inch water services, meters, boxes, and related structures like fire hydrants and fittings. The current water main will be abandoned in place, the existing well station will be demolished, and all present water meters and boxes will be removed.
- The Grandview Garden water system consolidation involves the installation of approximately 3,320 feet of eight-inch PVC and 25 feet of six-inch PVC, along with 83 new one-inch water services including meters and boxes. The project also includes abandoning the existing main, demolishing the well station, and removing all current meters and boxes.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board approved the funding for the Project described above on April 13, 2026 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of Porterville will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15303)

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:

Other Statutory Exemptions (right of way pipelines less than one mile)

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15282)

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 involves the installation of new pipeline as set forth in § 21080.21 of the Public Resources Code, as long as the project does not exceed one mile in length, as well as installation of small new equipment involving negligible or no expansion.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Porterville

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Claudia Calderon

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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.

Signature:

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