

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: N/A

**From:** (Public Agency): State Water Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

(Address)

Project Title: Multi TD Virginia Lakes Road and Utility Road Grid Resiliency Project

Project Applicant: Southern California Edison

Project Location - Specific:

The Project is located Virginia Lakes Road and US 395 Intersection, in Mono City, Mono County, California.

Project Location - City: Mono Project Location - County: Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the Project is to remove and replace eleven wood utility poles with new wood poles and install 36-inch diameter plastic (polyethylene) sonotubes at each pole along SCE's Conway 16-kV distribution line. The poles will be removed and set by helicopter and accessed on foot.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Water Resources Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison

Exempt 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: 15301 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Replacement of an existing facility. No exceptions to the exemption apply.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Chris Monary Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 322-7782

**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: Phillip Crader Digitally signed by Phillip Crader  
Date: 2026.01.27 09:46:27 -08'00' Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: Deputy Director

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_