

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: 2026020341

PROJECT NUMBER: 1800516-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Drinking Water Improvement Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Little Valley Road, Little Valley, CA 96056; Lassen County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency and is funding the Project referred to internally as Drinking Water Improvement Project. The components of the Project to be funded by the State Water Board include planning studies, information collection, distribution system sampling for asbestos, environmental documentation, property and design surveying, right-of-way evaluations, geotechnical investigations, hydrogeological evaluation, installation of a groundwater test well, and a financial audit. Additional documentation to be developed includes an engineering report, drawings, specifications, bid documents, and a Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) construction funding application.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved financing for the Project described above on May 28, 2026 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Little Valley 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 involves feasibility and planning studies for possible future actions which the State Water Board has not approved or funded, and basic data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

LEAD AGENCY: Little Valley Community Services District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Sammi Eddings

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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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