

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency): Inland Empire Utilities Agency
(Project Applicant)
6075 Kimball Avenue
Chino, CA 91708

San Bernardino County
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
385 North Arrowhead Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415

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Project Title: Hellman and Kimball Avenue Electrical Conduit Replacement Project

Project Location - Specific: The electrical conduit associated with the replacement is located at the intersection of Hellman Avenue and Kimball Avenue within the public right-of-way in the City of Chino.

Project Location - City: Chino

Project Location - County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) proposes to replace the electrical conduit at the intersection of Hellman Avenue and Kimball Avenue. The project will involve minor excavation up to a depth of less than four feet within the public right-of-way to remove the deteriorated conduit and install a new in-kind replacement. The purpose of the project is to maintain the reliability and safety of IEUA's existing electrical infrastructure, and the function would not change. Beneficiaries include IEUA and its customers, who rely on the continued safe and reliable operation of the electrical system.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declaration Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15301(b)
Statutory Exemption. State code number.

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Reasons why project is exempt: The State CEQA Guidelines provide a series of categorical exemptions for projects that have been deemed to have minimal impacts on the environment. The proposed project, which includes excavation up to a depth of less than four feet to replace an existing electrical conduit, has been determined to have no potential to cause significant adverse effects on the environment and will ensure public safety and maintain system reliability. Categorical Exemption Class 1 exempts "the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use, including but not limited to... b) existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services and d) restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety". The exceptions to the issuance of categorical exemptions have been evaluated for the proposed project locations to further substantiate the use of Categorical Exemption, Class 1 Existing Facilities (15301(b)) for this project. The proposed equipment upgrades have been determined not to have the potential to cause significant adverse environmental effects as a result of any construction or operational activities. Therefore, this proposed project is not forecast to cause any potential for significant adverse environmental impacts and qualifies for a Class 1 Exemption.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Leon Findlay

Telephone/Extension: (909) 993-1600

Signature: Leon Findlay Date: 3/16/26 Title: Senior Engineer

[X] 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:



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LEAD AGENCY Inland Empire Utilities Agency	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL -	DATE 03/16/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING San Bernardino	DOCUMENT NUMBER -	

PROJECT TITLE

Hellman and Kimball Avenue Electrical Conduit Replacement Project

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME Inland Empire Utilities Agency	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL -	PHONE NUMBER (909) 993-1600
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 6075 Kimball Avenue	CITY Chino	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 91708

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

- Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

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|---|------------|----|------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR) | \$4,227.50 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) | \$3,043.75 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,437.25 | \$ | 0.00 |

- Exempt from fee
 Notice of Exemption (attach)
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee | | \$ | 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | \$ | |

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- Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Alicia Meza, Deputy Clerk
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