

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TO: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse Post Office Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: Name: Rancho California Water District (Public Agency) (Rancho Water/District) Address: 42135 Winchester Road Temecula, CA 92590 Telephone: (951) 296-6900
<input type="checkbox"/> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk (Include County name)	County Clerk County of Riverside Post Office Box 751 Riverside, CA 92502-0751

1. Project Title:	Santa Rosa Pipeline and Valve Replacement, Via Horca [Project No. D2502]
2. Project Applicant (include address, telephone number, and email address):	Rancho California Water District
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	Along Via Horca, west of the city of Temecula, between Camino Gatillo and Via Santa Rosa.
4. (a) Project Location – City: Unincorporated	(b) Project Location – County: Riverside
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	The project would replace approximately 2,000 linear feet of aging and failure-prone portable water pipelines and nine valves in this area of the District's service area.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	Rancho California Water District
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Rancho California Water District
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) <input type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	(State CEQA Guidelines §§ 15050(c)(2)-(3), 15378)
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))
(e) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15301 Existing Facilities, Class 1.

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County of Riverside  
Peter Aldana  
Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder

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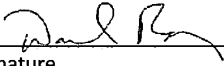
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(f) <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	(State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) Common Sense exemption)
9. Reason why project was exempt:	A Class 1 Categorical Exemption would apply to the Project, which would include minor alterations to the existing pipeline system. The Project would occur in an already developed area. No substantial expansion of use would occur beyond the existing conditions, and the Project's proposed improvements would not increase capacity or change the type or intensity of use. Therefore, as the Project involves minor alterations to existing facilities with negligible expansion of use, the Project would qualify for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption.
10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Dan Ruiz, P.E. Assistant General Manager-Engineering and Operations (951) 296-6989
11. If filed by applicant: Attach Certificate of Determination (Form "B") before filing.	
12. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . If yes, the date of the public hearing was:	

Date: March 27, 2026

  
Signature

Name: Dan Ruiz, P.E.

Title: Assistant General Manager-Engineering and Operations

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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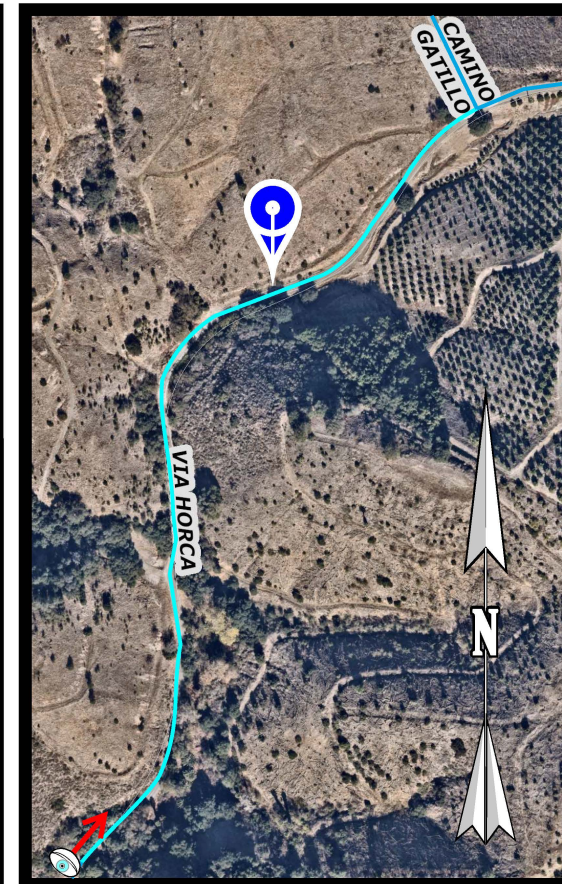
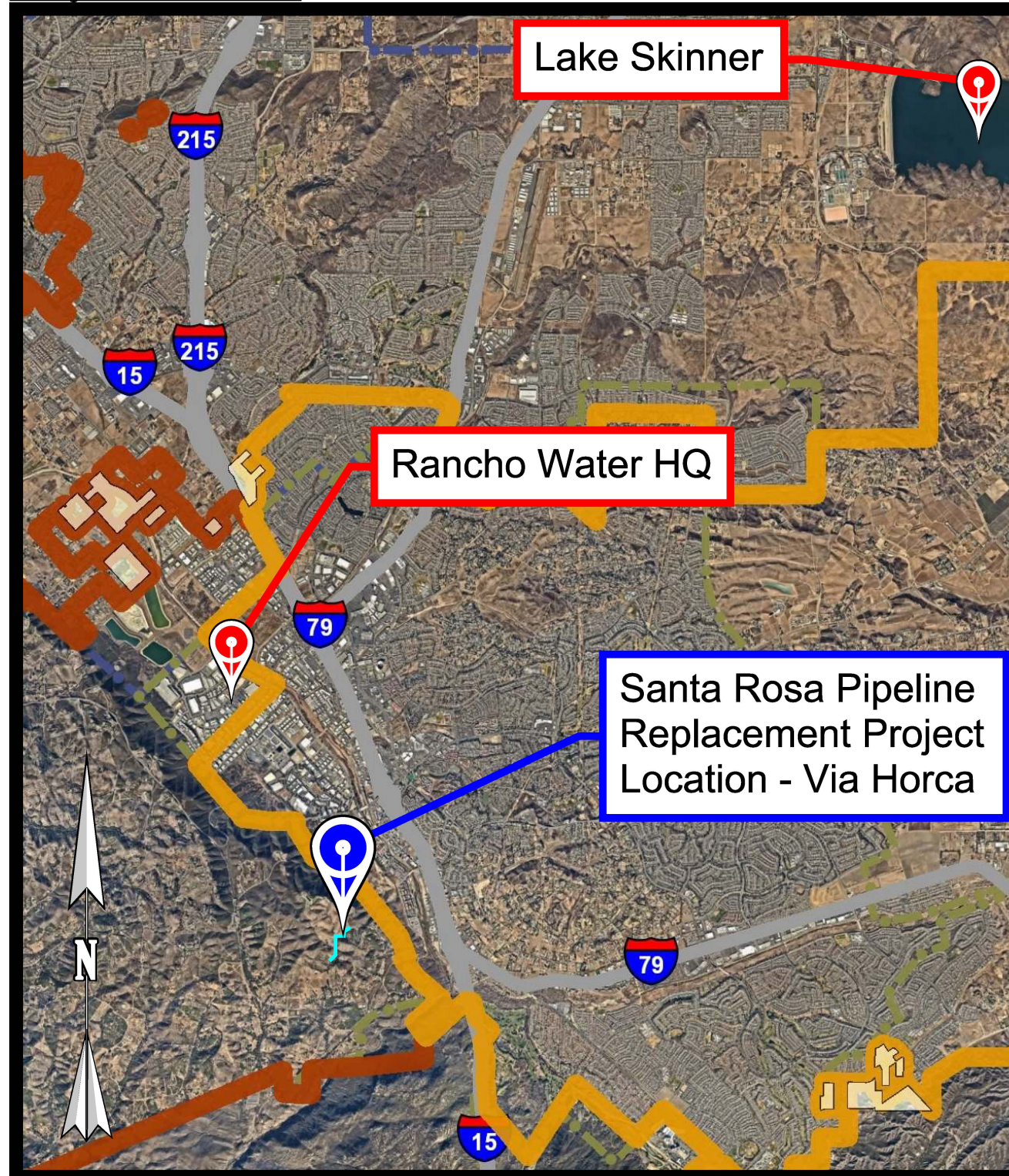
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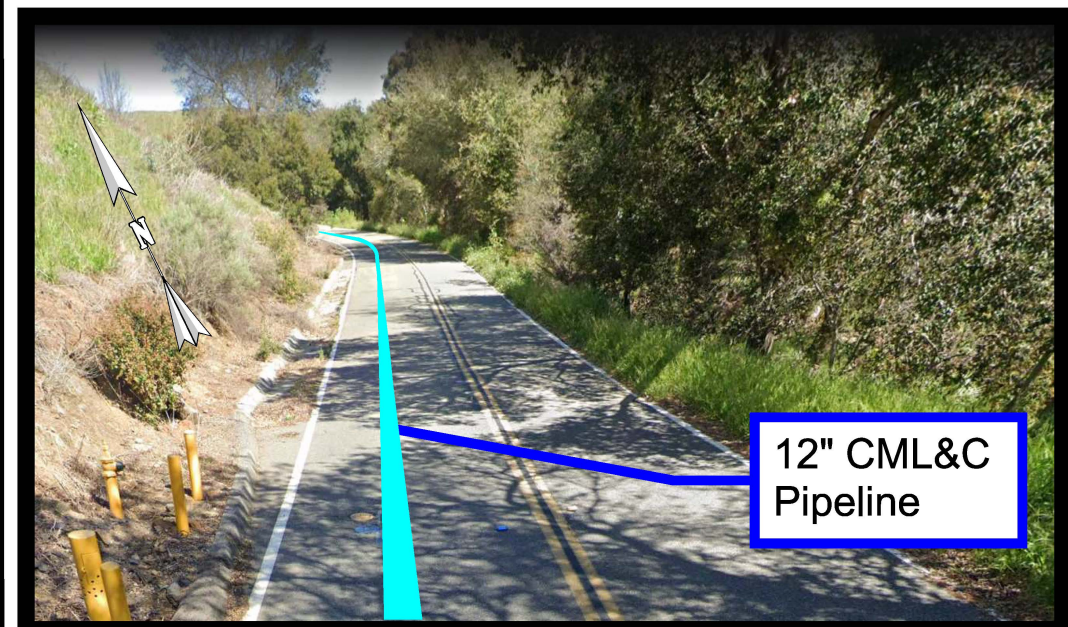
## Location

### Project Location



**Legend**

- Project Location Pin
- Project Location
- Landmark Pin
- Valve Clusters needing replacement
- Water Main
- Interstate or Highway
- Viewing Location and direction
- Directional Arrow

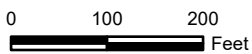


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### Project Location

*Via Horca Pipe and Valve Replacement Project*



### Exhibit 1





**Peter Aldana**  
**Riverside County**  
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