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**Project Title**

DWSRF - Sierra North/Sierra Grande SAFER Consolidation Project

**Check Document to be Filed:**

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Other (Please fill in type): **Notice of Exemption**



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**Notice of Exemption - Inyo County**

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**Project Title:** DWSRF - Sierra North/Sierra Grande SAFER Consolidation Project

**Project Applicant:** GHD INC. ATTN: Karen Petryna

**Applicant Mailing Address:** 30 River Park Place West Fresno CA 93720

**Applicant Phone Number:** 559 476 5763

**Project Location - Specific:** Gerkin Road from Rawson Creek Road to Panorama Drive Wilkerson, CA

**Project Location - City:** N/A

**Project Location - County:** Inyo

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project** The Project consists of water system improvements and consolidation, including installation of a new drinking water well within the Sierra Bonita Street right of way to improve potable water supply reliability. The project is being implemented with assistance under the State Water Resources Control Board's SAFER program.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Inyo County

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

**Exempt Status:** (check one)


- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(3));  
 General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3));  
 Categorical (Class 3; Section 15303 (a));  
 Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));  
 Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(3) because it involves the installation of a new drinking water well and related water system improvements to maintain and improve public water supply. All work will be conducted in already disturbed right of way areas.

**Lead Agency:** Inyo County

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Signature:  Date: 5/1/2024

Cathreen Richards, Inyo County Planning Director