

# 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: White Deer Ranch Crossing Replacement Project

Project Applicant: Pacific Gas and Electric

Project Location - Specific:

Located along U.S. Forest Service Road 12519 at Lefever Creek approximately 6.3 miles north of Yokuts Valley

Project Location - City: \_\_\_\_\_ Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the Project is to replace an existing, undersized, damaged culvert crossing with a vented rock ford crossing consisting of five 50-foot long 48-inch-diameter corrugated metal culverts underlain by 1-foot thick granular bedding.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: \_\_\_\_\_

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: 15302 Replacement and Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project involves replacing an existing structure where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Shawn Agarwal Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-323-0886

**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: 2026.06.01 09:56:00 -0700 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: \_\_\_\_\_