

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of Stanislaus
1021 I Street, Suite 101
Modesto, CA 95354

From: (Public Agency): South San Joaquin Irrigation District
11011 E. Highway 120
Manteca, CA 95336

(Address)

Project Title: Potential Acquisition of Real Property for Continued Public Recreation at Woodward Reservoir

Project Applicant: N/A

Project Location - Specific:

Woodward Reservoir, 14528 26-Mile Road, Oakdale, CA 95361

Project Location - City: Oakdale

Project Location - County: Stanislaus

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The South San Joaquin Irrigation District ("District") will potentially acquire from the County of Stanislaus ("County") certain parcels adjacent to the Woodward Reservoir and take over from the County, and continue, and manage all existing operations and uses on the affected parcels.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: South San Joaquin Irrigation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: South San Joaquin Irrigation District

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: Class 1 (15301) and Common-sense (15061)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

If the property is acquired, the District will take over from the County, and continue, and manage all existing operations on the affected parcels. There are no proposed or contemplated changes in existing land use on the affected parcels, nor is there any substantial evidence demonstrating that any potential exceptions to categorical exemptions apply.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Mia S. Brown, General Counsel Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (209)249-4621

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:  Date: 6/23/2026 Title: General Counsel

▪ 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: _____