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Project Title

GROSSMONT RESERVOIR OUTLET FLOW METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT (CIP25003)

Check Document being Filed:

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

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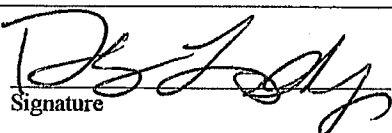
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:	FROM. Name. Helix Water District
☐ Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	(Public Agency) Address: 7811 University Ave La Mesa, CA 91942 Telephone: (619) 667-6268
☒ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or County Clerk County of San Diego 1600 Pacific Coast Highway San Diego, CA 92110	

1. Project Title:	Grossmont Reservoir Outlet Flow Meter Replacement Project (CIP25003)
2. Project Applicant:	Helix 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):	APN: 487-730-01 Harry Griffin Park, City of La Mesa, San Diego County Please see attached <u>Exhibit A</u> Vicinity Maps.
4. (a) Project Location – City: La Mesa	(b) Project Location – County of San Diego
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	See Attached Exhibit "A"
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	Helix 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:	Helix Water District
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) ☐ Ministerial project	(Pub Resources Code § 21080(b)(1), State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) ☐ Not a project.	State CEQA Guidelines 15050(c)(2)-(3)
(c) ☐ Declared Emergency	(Pub Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(d) ☐ Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))
(e) ☒ Categorical Exemption State type and section number.	Class 1, State CEQA Guidelines §15301 (maintenance of existing facilities) Class 2, State CEQA Guidelines §15302 (replacement of existing facilities)
(f) ☐ Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) ☐ Other. Explanation:	

9. Reason why project was exempt:	The Project is categorically exempt under Class 1 because it consists of existing facilities and does not include expansion of use beyond the existing facilities; and under Class 2 because it consists of the replacement of existing, aging facilities and equipment in the same general vicinity, and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the equipment and facilities being replaced.
10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Chris McRae Project Manager (619) 667-6278
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 ☐ No ☒ If yes, the date of the public hearing was:	


Signature

Date: 5-21-2020

Debra Lundy
Name

Title: Senior Right of Way Agent & Environmental Analyst

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing:

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference. Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

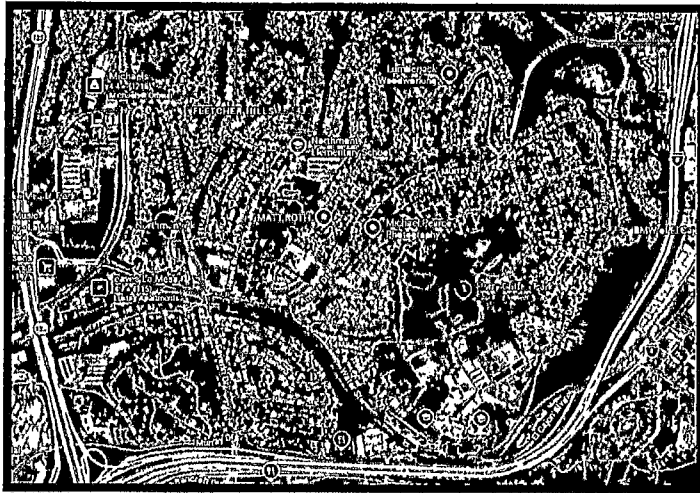
EXHIBIT A
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

FORM "A" NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
GROSSMONT RESERVOIR OUTLET FLOW METER AND
MANWAY REPLACEMENT PROJECT CIP25003

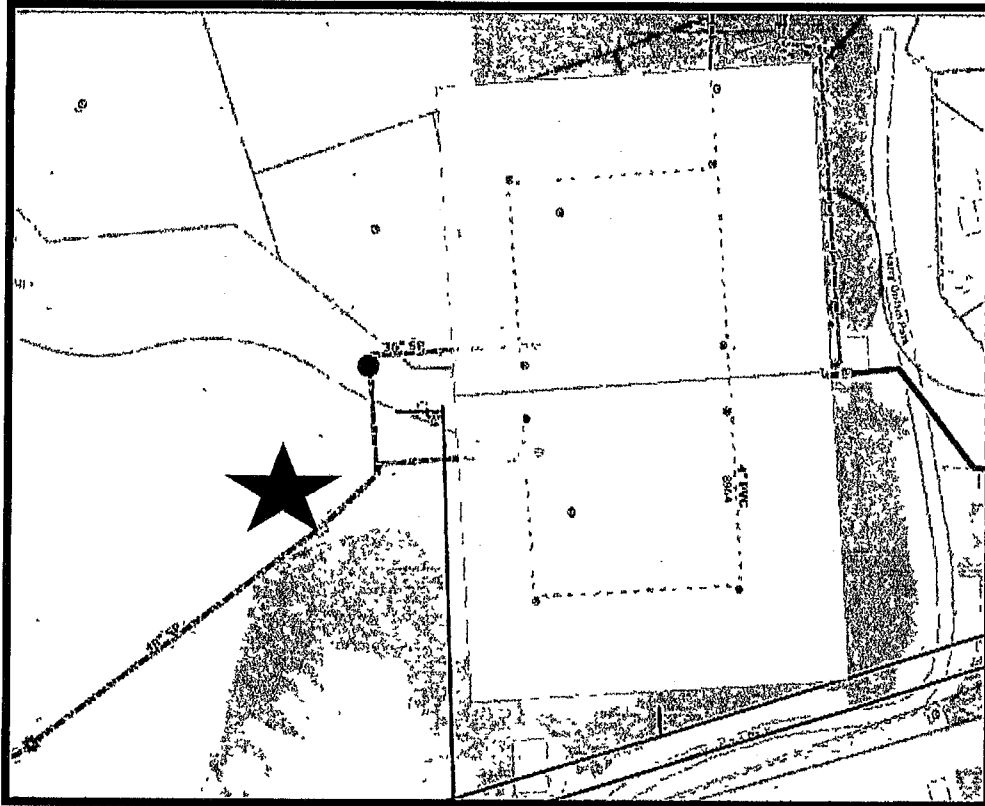
The existing Grossmont Reservoir inlet and outlet flow meters were installed during the original reservoir construction in 1978 and have been in continuous service for over 45 years. In 1995, the District's staff replaced the original electronic controls of the meters. Over the past several years, the flow meter electronics have started failing again, giving intermittent false results. Both meters are in-line within the existing 48-inch diameter inlet and outlet steel piping and have reached the end of their useful life. These flow meters are essential in recording water demands within the distribution system and must be replaced. A recent corrosion assessment was performed by the District's as-needed corrosion specialist. The outlet vault piping is corroded and needs to be replaced. The project involves the excavation and shoring of the 15-foot deep vault, removal of and replacement of approximately 10-feet of 48-inch diameter piping. A new manway will be installed for improved ventilation and to meet safety requirements.

The Project will benefit the District's customers by helping the District to maintain reliability of service and avoid potential pipeline failures. The Project will restore and replace deteriorated facilities and does not involve expansion of the existing use.

Vicinity Map



Project Area



CIP25003 Outlet Flow Meter Replacement Project Within Disturbed Area of Harry Griffen Park



San Diego County



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Payment Summary

Total Fees:	\$50.00
Total Payments	\$50.00
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

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Total Payments \$50.00

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee \$50.00

Total Fees Due: \$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: \$50.00