

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Ventura

From: (Public Agency): _____
Ventura County Resource Conservation District
PO Box 147 Somis CA 93066

(Address)

Project Title: Assistance for Monitoring and Management Plan Implementation

Project Applicant: Ventura County Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

Project Center: 34.2569174703531, -118.99583087449952

Project Location - City: Camarillo/Somis Project Location - County: Ventura County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to implement a minimum of forty-five (45) Management Practice Plans approved by the Regional Water Board that include sediment, nutrient, and irrigation management practices within the Ventura River, Santa Clara River, and Calleguas Creek watersheds to reduce pesticide and nutrient runoff and leaching, in accordance with Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) in each watershed and Order No. R4-2023-0353 General Waste Discharge requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands (2023 Ag Order).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Ventura County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Ventura County Resource Conservation 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: Sections 15301, 15302, 15303, 15304
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project will enhance, replace, or add minor additions to existing agricultural irrigation systems and related infrastructure. This project will also involve minor alterations to land such as trenching, filling, vegetation management or other practices that will reduce surface runoff. These activities will be constrained to non-sensitive areas on agricultural farmland and will not result in any significant environmental impacts.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jamie Whiteford Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (805) 764-5132

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: July 2, 2026 Title: Director of Projects and Grants

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: _____