

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Department of Water Resources
Division of Operations and Maintenance
715 P Street, Sacramento CA 95814

(Address)

County Clerk

County of _____

Project Title: Cantua Creek Maintenance (OM-SLFD-2026-012)

Project Location - Specific:

Coordinates: LAT 36°27'26.12"N, LONG 120°18'20.89"W

Cross Streets: W Cerini Ave, W Harlan Ave, Hwy 33. SWP Facility: CAAQ, MM 132.8– MM 134.2

Project Location – City: UnincorporatedProject Location – County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

DWR staff will perform maintenance along the CAAQ levee road near Cantua Creek. Erosions will be repaired using a bulldozer to breakdown, compact, & then filled with native material. Grassy vegetation will be removed using a mower & left on site. A new spoils area will be established using a masticator on a mower and a grader to clear woody vegetation. Gravel pads will be added to existing roadway near MM 133.8 to stabilize heavily used areas. All access & work is within DWR right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Water ResourcesName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Department of Water ResourcesExempt 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, Existing Facilities, Section No. 15301☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The State Water Project provides significant and critical services to many Californians. This project is exempt because it involves routine maintenance activities. This project will not result in impacts to special status species or habitat. The Categorical Exemption Class 1 will be used for CEQA compliance as this activity will be implemented without any environmental impacts.

Lead Agency

Contact Person:

Sara LowryArea Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 902-7709**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?

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Yes

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No

Signature: Sara LowryDate: 8/7/2026Title: Environmental Program Manager, DWR☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

☐ Signed by Applicant

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