NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of San Bernardino 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, 2nd Fl. San Bernardino, CA 92415 Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency P.O. Box 3880 24116 Crest Forest Drive Crestline, CA 92325 Phone: (909) 338-1779
Project Title:	Silverwood Treatment Plant Golden Mussels Mitigation
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):	CLAWA Water Treatment Plant (map of location where projects will occur is attached)
a) Project Location – City:	Crestline
Project Location – County:	County of San Bernardino
Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	Golden mussels have been found in Crestline Lake Arrowhead Water Agency's (CLAWA) raw water line, which supplies the CLAWA Silverwood Treatment Plant. Golden mussels pose a growing statewide threat to California's water supplies and infrastructure. They spread quickly, attach to pipes and equipment, and can disrupt water delivery, making prompt treatment essential. To eliminate the infestation, CLAWA proposes to install a small containment tank and a dosing pump next to the existing pumps at the Department of Water Resources' Silverwood tower outflow location to meet current standards of public health and safety. The equipment will deliver low doses of a treatment solution to the raw water line to remove the golden mussels to meet current standards of public health and safety.
Name of Public Agency approving project:	Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency
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:	Crestline-Lake Arrowhead Water Agency P.O. Box 3880 24116 Crest Forest Drive Crestline, CA 92325 Phone: (909) 338-1779
Exempt status: (check one)	
☐ Not a project.	
☐ Statutory Exemption.	State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b)
☒ Categorical Exemption.	State CEQA Guidelines § 15301

☐ Other. Explanation:	
Reason why project was exempt:	The proposed Project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, § 15301, Existing Facilities (Class 1). The Class 1 exemption allows, in part, for the minor alteration of existing public mechanical equipment that will result in negligible or no expansion of former use. Here, the Project proposes the installation of small equipment, specifically a small containment tank and a dosing pump that will release low doses of a treatment solution next to the existing pumps at the Department of Water Resources' Silverwood tower outflow location, to remove the invasive species and meet current standards of public health and safety. Finally, none of the "exceptions" to the categorical exemptions apply under State CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2.
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Date: October 15, 2026

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Project Map

FIGURE 1

WATER FACILITIES



LEGEND

Tanks

- CLAWA
- Others

Pump Stations

- CLAWA
- Others

Water Mains

- Facility
- Transmission
- Abandoned Waterline

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0 87.5 175 Feet

Sources: CLAWA GIS 2026.

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