

Notice of Exemption

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LEAD AGENCY

From: (Public Agency): Colusa County Water District

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Project Title: New Siphon on the Tehama Colusa Canal

Project Applicant: Colusa County Water District

Project Location - Specific:

The proposed siphon would occur at Tehama Colusa Canal Milepost 94.83R.

Project Location - City: Arbuckle

Project Location - County: Colusa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The District proposes to construct a new siphon with associated infrastructure to divert water from the Tehama Colusa Canal (TCC). The District intends to modify an existing Warren Act Discharge by adding a new siphon at the TCC to provide water to District lands with no provision for service and/or lands served by District re-lift stations that are at capacity. The new siphon would be welded to existing pipe that feeds into the TCC. The proposed Project also includes new pipeline of approximately 104 feet in length, a new concrete pad of approximately 15' x 40' x 8", a new 2,800-gallons-per-minute (gpm) booster pump, and 10 sand media filter tanks with 300 gpm per unit capacity each. There would be no disturbance to the canal's cement lining. The Project site for construction activities is approximately one acre, including construction staging, access, and design components.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Colusa County Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Colusa County Water 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 3 Section 15303 Construction of Small Structures
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project is exempt under Class 3 because it consists of the construction of a new siphon and associated small-scale water conveyance and pumping facilities, including pipeline, filtration equipment, and appurtenant infrastructure. The proposed improvements are limited in size and function as a new utility facility serving existing District lands and minimal ground disturbance is necessary.

Lead Agency

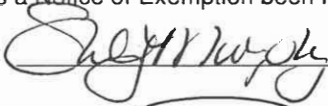
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If filed by applicant:

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:

10-20-2026

Title:

General Manager

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: _____