CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

TO:	**TO:**
Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	Inyo County Clerk-Recorder 168 N. Edwards St. Independence, CA 93526

FROM (LEAD AGENCY AND APPLICANT ADDRESS):

City of Los Angeles, acting by and through its Department of Water and Power (LADWP)
111 North Hope Street, Room 1044
Los Angeles, CA 90012

PROJECT TITLE:
Hall Ditch Crossover Project

PROJECT LOCATION:	**CITY:**	**COUNTY:**
37.34659, -118.431916 Nearest Cross Streets: Underwood Lane and Orinda Drive	Bishop	Inyo

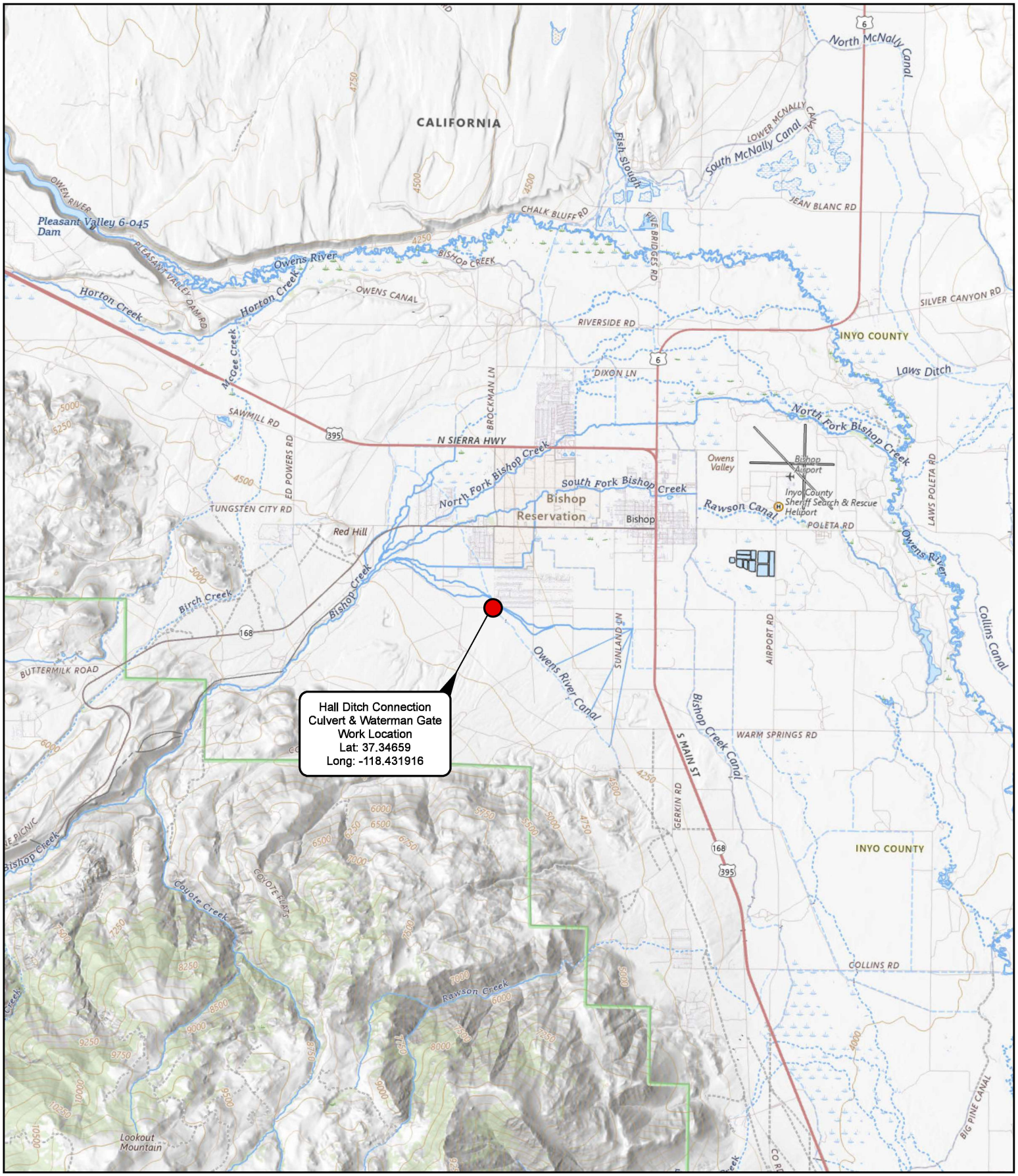
DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:
The LADWP is proposing to install a water diversion structure on the existing Hall Ditch, located in southwest Bishop, CA. The Hall Ditch Crossover Project will provide LADWP with means of delivering up to 5 cubic feet per second of irrigation water to Hall Ditch during the irrigation season. This irrigation water is used to supply water to lessees in the Bishop area per the LA-Inyo Long Term Water Agreement. A waterman gate would be installed to the south of Underwood Lane, along the Owens River Canal. A plastic pipe culvert, approximately 450 feet in length, would be installed to connect the waterman gate to Hall Ditch. In addition, minor improvements and repairs to existing concrete structures would be completed using cast-in-place reinforced concrete. Construction impacts would consist of bank excavation, grading, and vegetation clearance utilizing a backhoe and is expected to take approximately 20 working days to install.

CONTACT PERSON:	**TELEPHONE NUMBER**:
James R. Howe	(213) 367-0414

EXEMPT STATUS:	**SECTION:**
Categorical Exemption	15301, 15303

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:
In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, this project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities, and 15303, Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Class 3 consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures. The proposed project includes the installation of a small structure (waterman gate) along an existing facility and culvert connection; therefore, this project is categorically exempt from CEQA.

LEAD AGENCY SIGNATURE:	**TITLE:**	**DATE:**
Nadia J. Parker Nadia Parker	Environmental Supervisor	11/12/2026



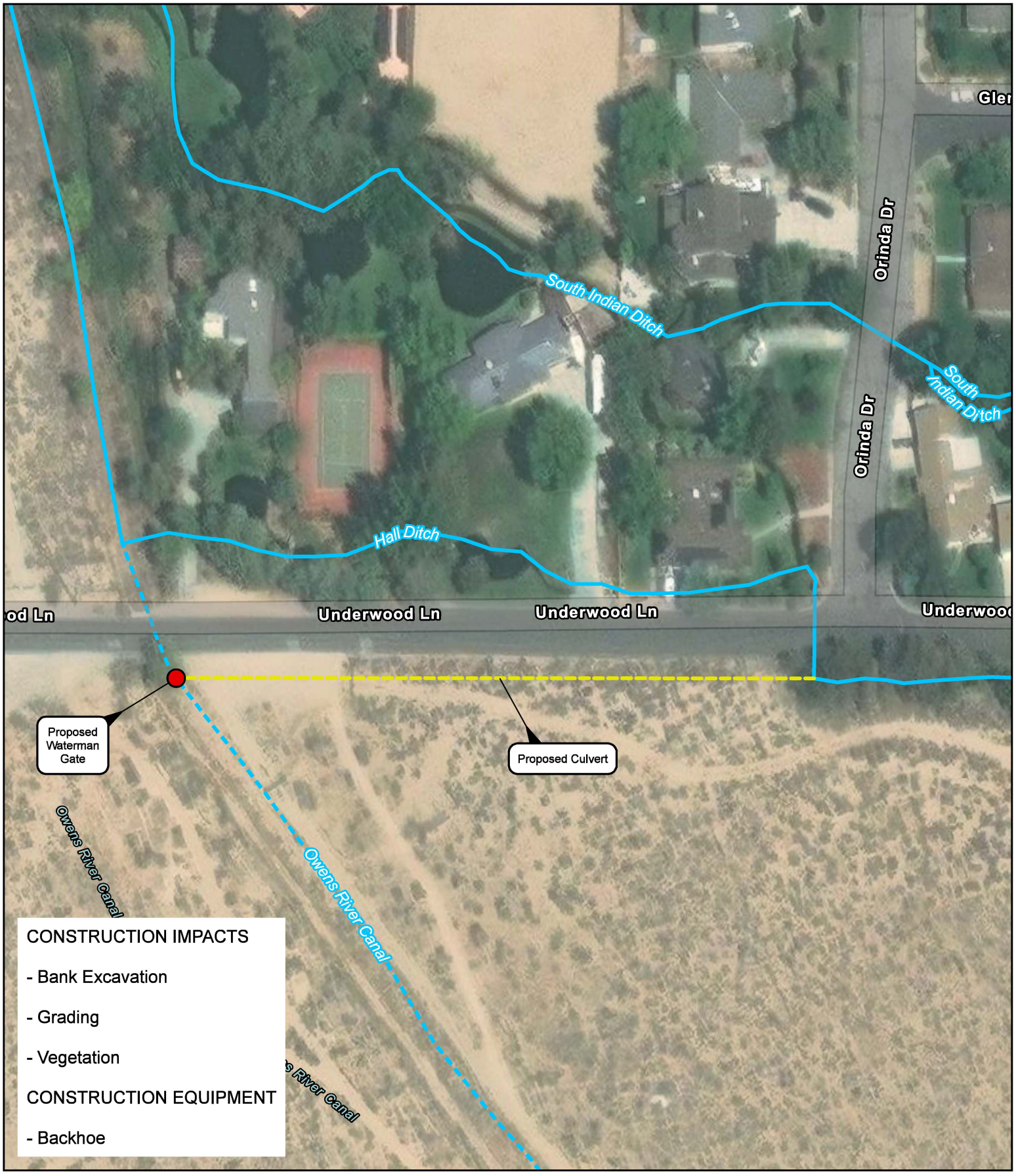
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