



Notice of Exemption Form

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Notice of Exemption

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: City of Waterford Planning Department
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Waterford, CA 95386

or

County Clerk
County Of Stanislaus
1021 "I" Street
Modesto, CA 95354

Project Title: Headworks Mechanical Bar Screen

Project Applicant: City of Waterford

Project Location: The Proposed Project is located within the existing boundary and operation of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plan facility, located just south of the City's core.

Project Description: The Proposed Project consists of the purchase and installation of a mechanical screen in an effort to reduce clogging of the aerators and improve the efficiency of the Wastewater Treatment Plant's performance. Installation of the mechanical screen will also reduce maintenance and labor and prolong the life of the equipment.

In accordance with State CEQA Guidelines for implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, and with the CEQA Guidelines, the City of Waterford hereby declares that it has approved the above named project.

It has been determined that the project is Categorically Exempt under Title 14, California Code Section 15301, Class 1 - Existing Facilities.

The Proposed Project consists of the purchase and installation of a mechanical screen at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant to improve performance and efficiency. The Proposed Project is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and does not involve the expansion of the use beyond that existing at the time of the City's (Lead Agency) CEQA determination.

It is exempt because the proposed project consists of the purchase and installation of the new mechanical bar screen in order to replace the outdated screen; improvements deemed necessary as a part of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plan. The proposed construction project was found to have no potential impacts on the environment.

Signature

10/16/18

Date

Mark Niskanen
Planning Manager

Date removed from posting 11/27/18

**WATERFORD CITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION #2018-59**

**FINDING THAT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT HEADWORKS
MECHANICAL BAR SCREEN PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND DIRECTING THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF
EXEMPTION**

WHEREAS, the Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Mechanical Bar Screen project ("Project") will replace dated equipment that will not fall beyond the plant boundaries and will not require significant alterations or construction to the headworks structure; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be funded by Proposition 1 Grant funding, if awarded; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act, Section 21000 et seq. of the Public Resources Code, ("CEQA") requires that cities consider the environmental consequences of their actions before approving a project; and

WHEREAS, the scope of the Project falls under CEQA; and

WHEREAS, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA Guidelines (Chapter 3 of Division 6 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations) provides an exemption from CEQA for projects involving the minor alteration of existing public or private facilities when the alteration involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Waterford hereby finds this project exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (b).

The foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Waterford, County of Stanislaus, State of California, at a regular meeting thereof held on September 20, 2018, by the following vote:

- AYES:** (3) ALDACO, KRAUSE, VAN WINKLE
- NOES:** (0) NONE
- ABSTAIN:** (0) NONE
- ABSENT:** (2) POWELL, WHITFIELD

City of Waterford,

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Michael Van Winkle

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Michael Van Winkle, Mayor

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Miranda Lutzow

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Miranda Lutzow, City Clerk

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