

Notice of Exemption

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From: (Public Agency) Patterson Irrigation District
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Project Title: 2019 WESTLANDS WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Project Location - Specific:

Within the boundaries of the Patterson Irrigation District, and Westlands Water District and within the Delta-Mendota Canal, San Luis Canal, and San Luis Reservoir.

Project Location - City: Project Location - County:

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Patterson Irrigation District will make up to 10,585 AF available to Westlands Water District - 1,200 AF of rescheduled 2018 Central Valley Project (CVP) water, 2,785 of Settlement Water, and 6,600 AF of 2019 CVP water - conveyed through the Delta Mendota Canal, and San Luis Canal to Westlands Water District in 2019. PID's pre-1914 supply will be a potential back up water supply for the transfer. This transfer is well within the historical actions taken by PID.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Patterson Irrigation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

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:
Statutory Exemptions. State code number: See below

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Here, continuation of PID's annual transfer of settlement water to other CVP districts is continuation of the status quo, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, the activity is not subject to CEQA. (CEQA Guidelines, §15061.)

Lead Agency Contact Person: Vince Lucchesi, Manager Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209.892.6233

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: 3/27/2019 Title: General Manager

- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR:
Signed by Applicant

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