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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Westley Property LLC. Water System (5000577)

Applicant Information: Westley Property, LLC., 1135 Palomar, Tracy, CA 95377

Project Location: 7125 McCracken Road, Westley, CA 95360

Project Location - County: Stanislaus

APN: 016-036-016

Description of Project: The project involves permitting a replacement water well for an existing Transient, Non-Community water system at the Westley Properties LLC site serving an existing Motel 6 and a proposed Arco Gas Station/Convenience Store/Subway Sandwich shop in Westley, CA. The existing well was drilled decades ago and, based on downhole video observation, its structural stability and well seal are failing. The existing well will be properly abandoned and destroyed. The replacement well will be located approximately 10 feet from the existing well. The new well will be completed in the same aquifer as the existing well at a completion depth of approximately 400 feet. The additional volume of water estimated to be used to serve the proposed expansion (there is no change in the water demand for the Motel 6) is about 4.5 acre-feet per year or 4,000 gallons per day (less than 3 gallons per minute on an average daily basis). The increase in water demand associated with the proposed expansion is not considered to be significant pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

Name of Agency Approving Project: Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources

Lead Agency Contact Person: Karl Quinn

Telephone: (209) 525-6757

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Section 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: per CCR Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 19, Sections 15300 to 15333
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
General Exemption.

Reasons why the project is exempt: The new well (Permit #19-107) meets the Categorical Exemption criteria for a replacement well and a de minimus extractor under the County Groundwater Ordinance (9.37). The project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced including but not limited to replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity..

Signature [Handwritten Signature]

Director [Handwritten Signature] Title

10/24/19 Date

If filed by the applicant:

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- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? [X] Yes [] No