



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk
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FROM: Water Replenishment District of Southern California
4040 Paramount Boulevard
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Project Title: United States Geological Survey ("USGS") drilling of four new groundwater data monitoring wells.

Project Location (Specific): The Central and West Coast groundwater basins in Los Angeles County.

Project Location (City): n/a Project Location (County): Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The USGS will install four groundwater monitoring wells in the Central and West Coast groundwater basins. The wells will be funded and owned by the Water Replenishment District of Southern California ("WRD"). The data collected will provide important data for the ongoing cooperative study between WRD and USGS of the hydrogeology of the Central and West Coast groundwater basins.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial (14 Calif. Admin. Code §15268)
Declared Emergency (14 Cal. Admin. Code §15269(a))
Emergency Project (14 Cal. Admin. Code §15269(b) & (c))
Statutory Exemption. (14 Cal. Admin. Code §§15260 et seq.)
Categorical Exemption. (14 Cal. Admin. Code §§15300 et seq.)

State class and section number: Class 6, Section 15306, Information collection

Reasons why project is exempt: The monitoring wells will be used solely for basic data collection and research and will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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