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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: <u>X</u> County Clerk, County of Kern County Administrative Center 1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor Bakersfield, CA 93301

FROM: City of Shafer 336 Pacific Avenue Shafter, California 93263

Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

- Project Title: Shafter Municipal Well No. 18 TCP Treatment Facility.
- 2. Project: The City of Shafter is installing the necessary mechanical, electrical improvements. and new carbon treatment vessels to enable water from existing Municipal Well No. 18 to be treated for the removal of 1,2,3-trichloropropane ("TCP"). The addition of the vessels would expand the City's efforts to comply with a State mandate to remove 1,2,3-trichloropropane ("TCP") from its active wells. Well Site No. 18 is located at 125 North Driver Road and is large enough (63,231 sq. ft. in size) to accommodate the entire treatment facility. The well site has direct public right-of-way access from Driver Road. The well site is surrounded by existing urban related development.
- Project Location: City of Shafter, County of Kern
- Name of Public Agency approving project: City of Shafter
- Name of Person or Agency carrying out project: City of Shafter
- Exempt status: 14 CCR §15303(d)
- Reason why project was exempt:

The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15303(d) of the CEQA Guidelines in that the City is only installing new water well carbon treatment equipment on an existing City of Shafter municipal water well site to remove 1,2,3-trichloropropane ("TCP"). The purpose of the action is to ensure public safety. The project only involves a minor alteration to an existing water well site that is surrounded by existing urban development. There is no sensitive species habitat, no record of sensitive species, wetlands, or historical structures within, adjacent to, or near the well site. The well site TCP treatment facility is located 490 feet northeast of the Lerdo Highway/Calloway Canal bridge. Due to the setback distance, construction activities for the new treatment facility will have no effect on swallows potentially nesting under the bridge. No expansion of the existing Municipal Water Service Area or subject water well site is proposed by the activity.

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Signature: Wayne Clausen MAR 21 2019

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