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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: Westlands Water District
3130 N. Fresno Street P.O. Box 6056
Fresno, CA 93703-6056

County Clerk
County of Kings
1400 W. Lacey Boulevard
Hanford, CA 93230

Project Title: Westlands Water District Monitoring Well Installation Project

Project Location - Specific:

Refer to Figure 1: Location Map. The project is located within the city limits of the City of Avenal, in Kings County, CA. The monitoring well is located in the northeastern corner of APN 038-010-038 which is located along Plymouth Avenue. The monitoring well is located approximately 500 feet east of the intersection of Plymouth Avenue and 34 1/2 Avenue.

Project Location - City: Avenal

Project Location - County: Kings

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is the installation of one monitoring well in Kings County and four monitoring wells within Fresno County. The purpose is to develop information regarding groundwater conditions within the Westlands Water District Boundaries.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Westlands Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Westlands Water District

Exempt Status:

- ☐ 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 (type and section number); Section 15303: New Construction, Section 15304: Minor Alterations to Land, Section 15306: Information Collection

Reason why project is exempt:

The project is the installation of five monitoring wells located in Kings and Fresno counties. The installation of the wells would allow the Westlands Water District (District) to monitor and develop information regarding groundwater conditions throughout the District's boundaries. Since the project is basic data collection and research for information gathering purposes and thus is categorically exempt under Section 15306 – Information Collection. In addition, the project is also categorically exempt under Section 15303 – New Construction as it is a small groundwater monitoring facility and under Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land as the installation of the well will not disturb a large area, approximately 100x100 feet.

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KINGS COUNTY CLERK

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Lead Agency

Contact: Russ Freeman

Phone: 559-241-6241

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: Russ Freeman

Deputy General Manager

Title: Resources

Date: 2/20/19

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

☒ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.2, Public Resources Code

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State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2018 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/03/18) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

E201910000087

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 03/04/2019
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING FRESNO COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER E201910000087	

PROJECT TITLE

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT MONITORING WELL INSTALLATION PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME WESTLAND WATER DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (559) 241-6241
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 3130 N. FRESNO ST, P.O. BOX 6056	CITY FRESNO	STATE CA
	ZIP CODE 93703-6056	

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,271.00	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,354.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program document (CRP)	\$1,077.00	\$	0.00

☒ Exempt from fee☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$1,112.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	50.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION	\$		0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other 027503

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X

Nina Lopez

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Nina Lopez Deputy Clerk

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FRESNO COUNTY
CLERK'S OFFICE
BRANDI L. ORTH

2221 KERN STREET
FRESNO, CA 93721

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Thank You
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GOVERNMENT CODE
SECTIONS 6103 and 27383

6103 Neither the state nor any county, city, district, or other political subdivision, nor any public officer or body, acting in his or her official capacity on behalf of the state, or any county, city, district, or other political subdivision, shall pay or deposit any fee for the filing of any document or paper, for the performance of any official service, or for the filing of any stipulation or agreement that may constitute an appearance in any court by any other party to the stipulation or agreement. This section does not apply to civil jury fees or civil jury deposits. This section does not apply to the State Compensation Insurance Fund or where a public officer is acting with reference to private assets or obligations that have come under that officer's jurisdiction by virtue of his or her office, or where it is specifically provided otherwise. No fee shall be charged for the filing of a confession of judgment in favor of any of the public agencies named in this section.

No fee shall be charged any of the public agencies named in this section to defray the costs of reporting services by court reporters. Such fees shall be recoverable as costs as provided in Section 6103.5. (*Amended by Stats. 2008, Ch. 218, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2009.*)

27383 No fee shall be charged by the recorder for services rendered to the State, to any municipality, county in the State or other political subdivision thereof, except for making a copy of a paper or record. (*Added by Stats. 1955, Ch. 488.*)