



Notice of Exemption

To: County Clerk
County Of San Diego
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 260 MS A-33
San Diego, CA 92101

From: San Diego County Water Authority
4677 Overland Avenue
San Diego, CA 92123-1233

State Clearinghouse
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Project Title: Pipeline 5 Rejection Tower Rehabilitation (Q0332)

Project Location - Specific: The project is located in the unincorporated area near the Twin Oaks Valley Water Treatment Plant at 3566 North Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos, CA 92069.

Project Location - City: unincorporated **Project Location - County:** San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of the rehabilitation of an existing aqueduct appurtenant structure. The tower is a 61-foot-tall 74-inch diameter vent surrounded by a 67-foot-tall 122-inch diameter containment pipe; both constructed of cement mortar lined and coated welded steel. A condition assessment revealed delaminated and spalled cement mortar coating on the steel vent and coating debris at the bottom of the containment pipe. This project is to remove the remaining delaminated cement mortar coating from the vent during an aqueduct shutdown to prevent the coating debris from damaging downstream aqueduct facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Diego County Water Authority

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: San Diego County Water Authority

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. *State type and section number:* Class 1 Existing Facilities (Sec. 15301)
- ☐ Statutory Exemption. *State code number:*

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is the maintenance of existing public water facilities, within the existing structure, with no expansion of use.

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