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
Email: state.clearinghouse@opr.ca.gov

Project Title: Pipeline Seismic Vulnerability Assessment and Repair Time Estimates (H0131)

Project Location - Specific:
Various locations throughout San Diego County including locations in Temecula Valley, San Luis Rey Valley; Moosa Canyon; Reidy Canyon; near San Marcos Creek; North Escondido Valley; Escondido Valley; San Dieguito River Valley near Hodges Reservoir; Poway Valley; Penasquitos Canyon; Carrol Canyon; San Diego River Valley; El Cajon Valley; Spring Valley; and Sweetwater River Valley.

Project Location - City: Unincorporated-Bonsall, San Diego, Escondido, Spring Valley, Chula Vista, El Cajon, Poway

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Water Authority will be assessing geological risks within its right-of-way that includes review of potential liquefaction conditions and landslide conditions that could affect Water Authority assets. The conditions will be assessed by conducting geotechnical borings to collect core samples for off-site analysis or by field observation, limited to travel on established roads and pedestrian access where sites are located beyond established roads.

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. Class 4 Minor Alterations to Land (Sec. 15304) and Class 6 Information Collection (Sec. 15306):
☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number: PRC 21080(b)(8)

Reasons why project is exempt: The work activities consist of data collection and geotechnical borings. Minor alterations to land and information collection is specifically categorically exempted from CEQA per the Water Authority's Administrative Code implementing CEQA [§8.00.060(a)(vi) and §8.00.060(a)(i)].

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