

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: Realignment of Maintenance Access Road for Pumping Well on Pipeline 5

Project Location - Specific: The project is located in unincorporated San Diego County, in the community of Fallbrook, near the intersection of Wilt Rd and Citrus Dr

Project Location - City: Unincorporated San Diego County/ **Project Location - County:** San Diego
Community of Fallbrook

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project will realign an existing maintenance access road to reduce the slope of the road. The existing access road is a spur that provides access to a pumping well structure on Pipeline 5 of the Second Aqueduct. The road is approximately 60-foot long and is too steep for certain maintenance vehicles to use. The road would be realigned to reduce the slope. Work activities would include grading of a new 12-footwide access spur, approximately 125-foot long, with a slope of less than 10 percent. All work would occur within the Water Authority's existing right-of-way, within disturbed habitat or existing agriculture.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Diego County Water Authority
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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)
- Statutory Exemption. *State code number:* PRC 21080(b)(8)

Reasons why project is exempt: The work activity consist of minor public alterations in the condition land, specifically, grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, where waterways, wetlands or designated scenic or geological hazard areas do not occur. Minor alternations to land, including grading of new access roads, is specifically categorically exempted from CEQA per the Water Authority's Administrative Code implementing CEQA [§8.00.060(a)4(i)].

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