

## Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Plumas

From: (Public Agency): Plumas County Public Works Department  
1834 East Main Street  
Quincey, CA 95971

Project Title: State Water Project (SWP) Water Transfer

Project Applicant: Plumas County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

**California Aqueduct Reach 1, Westside District Water Authority (WDWA)**

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Under the SWP Transfer, Plumas County will provide Westside, Lost Hills, Berrenda Mesa and Belridge WD, (WDWA) subcontractors to Kern County Water Agency, with 925 acre-feet of Plumas' SWP water supplies currently being stored in San Luis Reservoir. The point of delivery will be the California Aqueduct Reach 1. WDWA will use the water for any lawful SWP purpose within its service area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Plumas County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Kern County Water Agency, Westside, Lost Hills, Berrenda Mesa & Belridge WD

Exempt Status: **(check one)**:

- ☐ 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: 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The transfer of water will occur in place within California Aqueduct Reach 1, during 2025, using water that is surplus to Plumas' needs. All conveyance and use of water to and by WDWA will use existing water conveyance and storage facilities with negligible or no expansion of existing use. The project will not involve any construction or alteration of existing facilities. Transfer of Plumas SWP water will not alter existing WDWA SWP allocations.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Rob Thorman, P.E., Public Works Director Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 283-6495

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: [Signature] Date: 10/31/25 Title: Public Works Director

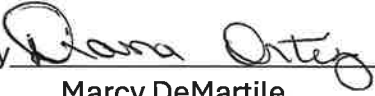
☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate of Posting

I hereby certify that from OCT 31 2025 to NOV 30 2025 (30 days), I posted a Copy of this Notice of Exemption in the Office of the Plumas County Clerk.

By   
Marcy DeMartile  
County Clerk or Deputy

Date: OCT 31 2025

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