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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency): Johnsville PUD

County Clerk
County of: Plumas

(Address)

Project Title: Water Tank Improvement and Liquid Chlorination Project

Project Applicant: Johnsville PUD

Project Location - Specific:

Property Address/Location: APNs 006-031-006 (5267 Main Street, Johnsville, CA. 96103) & 006-190-004 (Eureka State Park)

Project Location - City: Johnsville

Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Construct two 100,000 gallon steel water tanks at the existing tank farm in the approximate same footprint as the two exiting 88,000 gallon redwood tanks and install liquid chlorination facilities (which replaces the existing gas chlorination facility) potentially within the existing building or new building

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Johnsville PUD

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: David Piepho

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21083(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15302 Class 2, 15304 Class 4
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 and 15304. This exemption applies to replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Daniel Bastian

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 5302460468

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: *no signature* Date: *6/27/2020* Title: *Manager*
cc: am

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Certificate of Posting: I hereby certify that from *7-10-20* to *8-11-2020* posted a copy of this Notice of Exemption in the office of the Plumas County Clerk (30 days)

By *John Hagedorn* on *JUL 10 2020*
Deputy

ATTACHMENT 1

RESOLUTION 2020-4

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOHNSVILLE PUBLIC
UTILITY DISTRICT FINDING THAT THE WATER TANK IMPROVEMENT AND
LIQUID CHLORINATION PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND DIRECTING THE FILING OF A NOTICE
OF EXEMPTION**

WHEREAS, The Water Tank Improvement and Liquid Chlorination Project includes construction of two 100,000 gallon steel water tanks at the existing tank farm in the approximate same footprint as the two exiting 88,000 gallon redwood tanks, connect new tanks to existing water distribution lines, install liquid chlorination facilities (which replaces the existing gas chlorination facility) potentially within the existing water treatment plant building or place said new chlorination facilities in a separate new or existing structure adjacent/near to water treatment plant facilities. The existing access road will be graded (minor) for construction vehicles, although large delivery trucks will not be able to access the tank site due to the tight alignment and steep grades. Tank shell components, large materials and concrete will be shuttled to the tank farm site with smaller equipment. A State Park service gate will be installed near the end of Eureka Street; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (Section 21000 et seq. of the Public Resources Code, herein after CEQA) requires that Lead Agencies consider the environmental consequences of their actions before approving a project; and

WHEREAS, the Project is a project under CEQA; and

WHEREAS, Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) of the State CEQA Guidelines (Chapter 3 of Division 6 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations) applies to replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; and

WHEREAS, Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) of the State CEQA Guidelines (Chapter 3 of Division 6 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations) applies to projects of minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and the creation of bicycle lanes on existing rights-of-way; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the JOHNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT hereby finds this project exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15302 and 15304.

Finding: The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to sections 15302 and 15304 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Evidence:

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302. This exemption applies to replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15304. This exemption applies to projects of minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

The Project consists of constructing construct two 100,000 gallon steel water tanks at the existing tank farm in the approximate same footprint as the two exiting 88,000 gallon redwood tanks and installing liquid chlorination facilities (which replaces the existing gas chlorination facility) potentially within the existing water treatment plant building or placing said new chlorination facilities in a separate new or existing structure adjacent/near to water treatment plant facilities. The proposed improvements would include minor alteration of existing facilities and involve negligible expansion of existing uses. No special circumstances exist that would create a reasonable possibility that the proposed project will have a significant adverse effect on the environment. Therefore, the project is exempt.

AND BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the JOHNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT hereby:

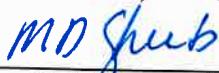
- 1) Authorizes the Board Chairman to execute the Notice of Exemption and file same with the Plumas County Clerk.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of June 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: 3
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 4


Chairman, David Piepho

I, Melissa Sheets, Board Clerk of the JOHNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the JOHNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT at a regular meeting thereof held on June 27, 2020.



BOARD CLERK, Melissa Sheets