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Local Drought Actions  
OPR Concurrence  
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The Governor's Proclamation of a Continued State of Emergency, issued on April 25, 2014, suspends the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code 21000 and following) for all actions taken by local agencies that are identified by the State Water Resources Control Board as vulnerable to acute drinking water shortages and that are necessary to implement solutions to such shortages if the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) "concurs that local action is required." (Proclamation No. 4-25-2014, #12 and #19).

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) has identified the Ali Water Company as having critical drinking water shortages, meaning that the Ali Water Company will deplete its available supplies within 150 days. SWRCB has indicated that the project described in the attached Notice of Exemption is necessary to solve this critical drinking water shortage. Based on the information provided in the attached Notice of Exemption, OPR concurs that local action is necessary and that the action meets the requirements for CEQA suspension as set forth in the Governor's Proclamation (No. 4-25-2014).

Attachments:

- [Attachment 1: Drought Emergency Grant Funding Request for Ali Water Company Notice of Exemption](#)