

Notice of Exemption
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PROJECT #: PWSDE-2000554

PROJECT TITLE: Drought Emergency Grant Funding Request for Madera County MD#33- Fairmead

PROJECT LOCATION: In the vicinity of community of Fairmead, Madera County

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The State Water Resources Control Board (Board) is a responsible agency for this project. The Board's Public Water System Drought Emergency Funding Program is providing state funds for the project. Madera County MD#33- Fairmead proposes to:

- Temporarily equip an existing test well with a temporary pump and above-ground piping to the existing storage tank. This will include temporary power, electrical work, and provision for hauled water, if needed.
- Remove and evaluate the existing pump at Well No. 1, downhole video inspection of Well No. 1, repair or replacement of the existing pump at Well No. 1 and additional rehabilitation work determined from the downhole video inspection.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Madera County MD#33- Fairmead will be carrying out the project. The Board has approved a grant for the project described above in the amount of \$88,000 on August 28, 2014, from the Public Water System Drought Emergency Funding Program, and concurs that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS

- Feasibility and Planning Studies (CCR, Title 14, Section 15262)
- Declared emergency (CCR, Title 14, Sec 15269 (a))
- Emergency repairs (CCR, Title 14, Sec 15269 (b))
- Emergency prevention/mitigation (CCR, Title 14, Sec 15269 (c))
- Right of way pipelines of less than one mile (CCR, Title 14, Sec 15282 (k))
- Water fluoridation facilities (CCR, Title 14, Sec 15282 (m))

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project is considered an emergency prevention measure that will prevent an imminent water outage.

Pursuant to the California Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply.

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