

# Notice of Exemption

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From: (Public Agency) LADWP

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County of Inyo

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Project Title: China Slough Ditch Culvert Extension

Project Location - Specific:

Bishop, California, directly west of the junction of Fowler and South Streets.

Project Location - City: Bishop, CA

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

**The project consists of extending an existing culvert by approximately 400 feet to eliminate regular construction maintenance on a portion of the China Slough Ditch and to allow LADWP to utilize the full extent of property for onsite storage of materials. In addition, LADWP will install a concrete inlet structure at the western end of the new portion of culvert, which will be similar in size and function to the one located at the culvert's current terminus.**

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Clarence Martin, Assistant Aqueduct Manager, LADWP

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: Class 3 Exemption, Section 15303(d) of CEQA Guidelines, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Public Resources Code 21080.21, Installation of new or repair or removal of an existing pipeline under 1 mile

Reasons why project is exempt:

**The China Slough Ditch is a perennial waterway that LADWP uses to convey water to the Bishop Creek Canal. Approximately 1700 feet of the China Slough Ditch is currently in a culvert in the Bishop area. The area where construction will occur is zoned as General Commercial by the City of Bishop.**

**This project is exempt under a Class 3 Categorical Exemption because Section 15303(d) of the CEQA Guidelines (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) allows for extensions of water mains or other utility extensions of reasonable length. Additionally, this project is also statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code 21080.21, which allows an agency to install, repair, or remove an existing pipeline under 1 mile. The new culvert will be less than 1 mile in length and will occur subsurface.**

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Lori Dermody

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-873-0408

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

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2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?

Yes

No

Signature:

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Date: 11-9-11

Title:

Aqueduct Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

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

Signed by Applicant

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