

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Second Amendment – License for the Erection, Maintenance and Alteration of Structures – Contract No. 5-07-20-L6502 – Central Coast Water Authority – Bradbury Dam – Cachuma Project, California

Location – Specific: The Lake Cachuma Project’s Bradbury Dam and associated lands located in Santa Barbara County.

Location – County: Santa Barbara County

Description of Activity: The Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) and United States Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) entered into a “License for the Erection, Maintenance and Alteration of Structures,” Contract No. 5-07-20-L6502, dated November 30, 1995 (Existing License). The USBR amended the Existing License in March 12, 2004 to approve a temporary alteration of CCWA’s bypass water pipeline through Gate 4 of the Bradbury Dam spillway (First Amendment). In 2017, the CCWA requested that the USBR consider another modification to the bypass water pipeline alignment through a second amendment to the Existing License (Second Amendment). The USBR’s South-Central California Area Office Operations Division reviewed the proposed bypass water pipeline alignment and agreed to a modified Second Amendment along with a five year extension of the Existing License. This activity involves CCWA’s acceptance of the Second Amendment and associated modifications to the bypass water pipeline alignment located wholly within the existing Bradbury Dam facilities.

Name of Public Agency Approving or Carrying Out Activity: Central Coast Water Authority. Other approving agencies include: United States Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301 & 15302)
- Statutory Exemption (Pub. Res. Code, § 21080.21)

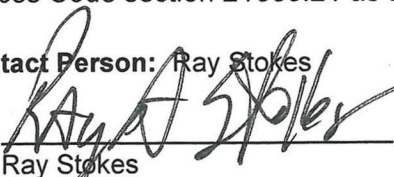
Reasons why activity is exempt:

- a. The Second Amendment and associated activities are categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Sections 156301, subdivision (b) [Existing Facilities] and 15302, subdivision (c) [Replacement or Reconstruction] of the Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act because the Second Amendment and associated activities constitute a minor alteration of an existing public facility involving no or negligible expansion of use, and the reconstruction of existing utility facilities.
- b. The Second Amendment and associated activities are also statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code section 21080.21 as the relocation of an existing pipeline less than one mile in length.

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