

Notice of Exemption

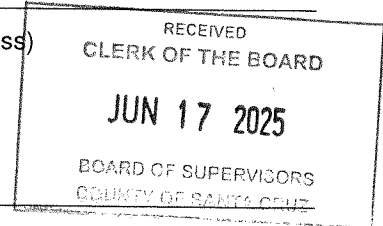
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Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street, Room 520
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

From: (Public Agency):
San Lorenzo Valley Water District
13060 CA-9 Boulder Creek, CA 95006

(Address)



Project Title: Huckleberry Pipeline Replacement

Project Applicant: San Lorenzo Valley Water District

081-25

Project Location - Specific:

Pacific Street Bridge over San Lorenzo River

Project Location - City: Brookdale

Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Heavy winter storms in 2022/2023 resulted in erosion and slope failure that destroyed portions of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District's pipeline system which provides water to approximately 23,700 customers. The pipeline had been rerouted from under the creek to above ground and over a bridge, and was damaged by the storms. The project proposes to bury the pipeline, affix it to the bridge and cap and abandon the damaged underground/under-river pipeline in place.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Chris Klier

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: _____
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Declared Emergency, Statutory Exemption 15269(a) applies to this project because it involves emergency repairs due to damages caused by the 2022/2023 winter storms (FEMA Disaster DR-4683-CA) (Attachment A) which resulted in erosion, slope failure, and fallen trees. The project involves replacement or reconstruction of existing water utility pipelines.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Chris Klier Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 831-430-4638

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: Chris Klier Date: 6/12/25 Title: Env Programs Manager

▪ 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

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