

Public Notice
Notice of Exemption



To: Santa Clara County
Clerks Office, Business Division
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San Jose CA 95110

From: Santa Clara Valley Water District
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Project Title: Penitencia Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation of Flocculation and Sedimentation Basins

Project Location-Specific: 3959 Whitman Way, San Jose, CA 95132 (Assessor's Parcel Number: 595-04-072)

Project Location-City: San Jose

Project Location-County: Santa Clara

Project Purpose: The project will extend the useful life and increase the reliability of the facility.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Name of Agency or Person Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District

Exempt Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- ☐ Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
- ☐ Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(c)];
- ☒ Categorical Exemptions [Section 15301; Class 1, "Existing Facilities"]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions [State code number].

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15301 (Class 1).

"Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The types of 'existing facilities' itemized below are not intended to be all-inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use."

None of the conditions noted under the CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 will occur.

Description of Project: The project will remove and replace mechanical and electrical equipment, inspect, and refurbish the basin concrete coatings, and upgrade the drive motor assemblies in all the three flocculation and sedimentation basins at the facility. Work will occur within the developed footprint and is anticipated to last for about seven months. Best Management Practices are incorporated, and crews will complete the work Monday through Friday, between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., in accordance with San Jose municipal Code.

Lead Agency: Santa Clara Valley Water District
Contact Person: Colin Ganong

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Water Utility Raw Water Division

Date: _____

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