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COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

To: Clerk of the Board
701 Ocean Street, Room 500
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Project Name: Boulder Creek Equalization Tank Replacement Project
Project Location: Boulder Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, 189 Lake Drive, Boulder Creek
Assessor Parcel No.: 086-402-12
Project Applicant: County Service Area 7 – Boulder Creek Sanitation District

Project Description: The proposed project involves removing an existing 50,000-gallon equalization tank at the Boulder Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant and replacing it with a new 110,000-gallon equalization tank. The equalization tank at this facility is intended to prevent sewage flows from overwhelming and short-circuiting the treatment train and releasing untreated sewage to the environment during periods where the collection system experiences high levels of discharge. The current Equalization Tank is undersized to perform this function. Work will involve removal of the existing tank and installation of the new larger tank. The new tank will have a slightly larger footprint within the existing disturbed area of the treatment facility.

Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Cruz
County Contact: Ivan Messina **Telephone No.** 831-454-2814
Date Completed: 9/26/2024

This is to advise that the County of Santa Cruz has found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status: (check one)

- The proposed activity is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.
- The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060 (c).
- The proposed activity is exempt from CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section
- Ministerial Project involving only the use of fixed standards or objective measurements without personal judgment.
- Categorical Exemption 15301 (b)
- Statutory Exemption other than a Ministerial Project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15260 to 15285)

Reasons why the project is exempt:

The project involves replacement of an equalization tank in a previously disturbed area of an existing wastewater treatment facility and involves no expansion of existing or former use. None of the exceptions in §15300.2 apply.

Signature: Juliette Robinson **Date:** 09/26/2024 **Title:** Resource Planner IV

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