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Notice of Exemption

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 St.
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

From: (Public Agency): Soquel Creek Water District
5180 Soquel Drive
Soquel, CA 95073
(Address)

OCT 27 2026

Project Title: Huntington Drive Transmission Main Project

Project Applicant: Soquel Creek Water District

Project Location - Specific:

Huntington Dr. between Monroe Ave. and Aptos Junior High

Project Location - City: Aptos Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to replace a failing 6" asbestos cement (AC) water main.This main has ruptured four times in the past 7 years including recently in April and May 2026. District staff determined that the main needed to be replaced due to its age and condition. Project will serve and benefit Soquel Creek Water District customers.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Soquel Creek Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Eileen Eisner Streller

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: Section 15302 (c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is reconstruction of an existing utility system involving negligible expansion of capacity.The project qualifies as Class 2 project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Taj Dufour Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 831-475-8501 ext. 123

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: _____ Date: 10/26/26 Title: Engineering Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A PERIOD COMMENCING 10/27/2026

AND ENDING 12/1/2026

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