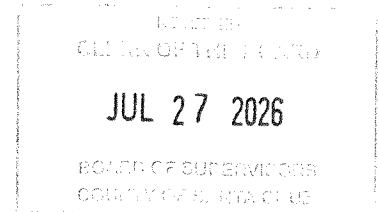


## Notice of Exemption

071-26

**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, Rm. 520  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**From:** San Lorenzo Valley Water District  
13060 Highway 9  
Boulder Creek, CA 95006



**Project Title:** SLVWD Pasatiempo Wells 7 & 8 Rehabilitation

**Project Applicant:** San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD)

**Project Location – Specific:**

3650 Graham Hill Rd, Felton, CA 95018

**Project Location - City:** Felton (unincorporated)

**Project Location - County:** Santa Cruz

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The project consists of rehabilitation of two groundwater wells that supply water to over 3,000 residents within portions of the City of Scotts Valley and nearby unincorporated communities. The purpose of the rehabilitation is to restore well efficiency and maintain reliable water production, as Paso 7 is currently under-producing and Paso 8 is inoperable. Rehabilitation activities would include removal of the well pumps, video inspection, mechanical cleaning of the well screens, chemical treatment (acid washing), post-treatment cleaning, disinfection, test pumping, and post-rehabilitation video inspection. Project implementation will require temporary installation of an approximately 2,600-foot-long above-ground pipeline to convey treated water to the nearby Hanson Quarry's drainage pond, where the treated and tested water will be discharged in accordance with regulations.

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

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** San Lorenzo 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)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption (Sec. 15061(b)(3));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15301(d), Class 1
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project is categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(d): Existing Facilities (Class 1); and under Section 15269(b): Emergency Projects. 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 existing or former use. This project is consistent with the Class 1 exemption as the project involves rehabilitation of two existing groundwater wells to restore well production with no increase in capacity or expansion of use. This project is necessary to meet public health and safety standards, extend the useful life of the wells, and improve operational efficiency.

This project is also consistent with Section 15269(b), which includes emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare. This project is consistent with this exemption as loss of production jeopardizes water service to the District's approximately 3,000 customers served by the wells.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:**  
Chris Klier

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:**  
831.338.2153

**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: 7/24/26 Title: Environmental Programs 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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