



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and
Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

☒ County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: License Agreement - IT Environmental Liquidating Trust, Monitor and Sample Groundwater Wells, Project #: WO8315, CP#: 24-23
Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Dept., 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez CA 94553, (925) 313-2000, Contact: Claudia Gemberling, (925) 313-2192, claudia.gemberling@pw.cccounty.us
Project Location: Pacheco Creek & Wildcat Creek levees near IT Vine Hill and Baker Landfills, Martinez area; APN 159-250-XXX
Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Contact Person: Syd Sotoodeh (925) 655-2877 syd.sotoodeh@dcd.cccounty.us

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The County Flood Control District (District) will enter into a License Agreement (Agreement) with the IT Environmental Liquidating Trust (ITELT) (Licensee) to allow access onto District levee property for monitoring and sampling of two existing groundwater monitoring wells; one along Pacheco Creek (MW-112) and the other along Walnut Creek (MW-125). Monitoring will be conducted quarterly for water level measurements and semi-annual groundwater sample collection as required by the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) and Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). Water quality monitoring will be conducted using handheld monitoring probes and making visual observations. Access will be by vehicles; no heavy equipment will be used. The Agreement will end upon the recommendation of DTSC or RWQCB upon written agreement with the District and ITELT. No other activities are allowed without prior approval from the District.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268) ☒ Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15306)
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a]) ☒ General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c]) ☐ Other Statutory Exemption (Sec.)

Reasons why project is exempt: The issuance of the Agreement is not subject to CEQA as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment, pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines. The groundwater quality monitoring and sampling is an informational collection activity that will not result in a major disturbance to an environmental resource pursuant to Article 19, Section 15306 of the CEQA guidelines.

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: Syd Sotoodeh Title: Senior Planner Date: June 6, 2025

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____ I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature _____

Title _____

Applicant

Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Claudia Gemberling
Environmental Services Division
Phone: (925) 313-2192

Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due

- ☐ De Minimis Finding - \$0
☒ County Clerk - \$50
☒ Conservation and Development - \$25

Total Due: _____ Receipt #: _____