

Exempt per Gov't Code 6103

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
(State Guidelines 15062)

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TO: Orange County Clerk-Recorder
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Project Name: Energy Storage Systems Project – Coastal Zone 4-OC 63 Pump Station

Project Location: The project is located southeast of the intersection of Bonita Canyon Drive and Turtle Crest Drive in the city of Irvine, California. (See Figure 1)

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Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

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Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) is planning to install Demand Response Energy Storage (DRES) or Demand Charge Management (DCM) systems at various existing District facilities. IRWD's Coastal Zone 4-OC 63 Pump Station, located southeast of the intersection of Bonita Canyon Drive and Turtle Crest Drive in the city of Irvine, is a proposed site.

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The proposed project consists of the installation of a DCM 250 kilowatt, two-hour battery storage system and ancillary equipment, which will provide primary power to the Coastal Zone 4-OC 63 Pump Station facility during peak energy use and will also provide critical support to the electric grid in the local area. The DCM will involve charging batteries from the grid during off-peak hours and then discharging them during on-peak times, reducing stress on the grid and reducing the overall cost of power. During peak demand

Section 15301) and new construction or conversion of small structures under CEQA Guideline Section 15303. Under Class 1, activities are exempt for the operation, 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 (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301). Class 3 consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures, and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15303). Additionally, under Class 3, installation of small new equipment and facilities for water, sewage, electrical, gas and other utility extensions are exempt.

The proposed Energy Storage Systems Project at Coastal Zone 4-OC 63 Pump Station is new construction of a small structure at an existing facility. The proposed Energy Storage Systems Project at Coastal Zone 4-OC 63 Pump Station will serve to provide the existing facility with an additional electrical power source during peak demand periods by installing a DCM system on the property. IRWD will comply with all laws and regulations, will secure any required permits, and the Project incorporates the environmental commitments from previous applicable CEQA documentation to ensure that there would be no potentially significant impacts and therefore, would meet the requirements of the Class 1 and Class 3 categorical exemption under CEQA.

Submission of this form is optional. Local agencies may file this form with the county clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). The filing of the notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project under Public Resources Code Section 21167(d). Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

Jo Ann Corey, Engineering Technician III
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District Secretary

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