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RETURN TO: Jo Ann Corey
Irvine Ranch Water District
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15600 Sand Canyon Avenue
Irvine, CA 92619-7000

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
(State Guidelines 15062)

County Clerk's Filing Stamp

TO: Orange County Clerk-Recorder
12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101
Santa Ana, CA 92701

FROM: Irvine Ranch Water District (Applicant/Lead Agency)
P.O. Box 57000
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue
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Project Name: San Joaquin Marsh Improvements

Project Location: Located between Carlson Drive, Campus Drive, Michelson Drive and Riparian View in Irvine, CA (see Exhibit "A")

County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) owns and operates the San Joaquin Marsh (Marsh). The Marsh is a natural water treatment system facility, located in Irvine between Michelson Drive, Carlson Drive, Campus Drive, and San Diego Creek. The Marsh is composed of 11 interconnected ponds that provide freshwater wetland and water quality treatment functions including nutrient removal. Water is pumped to the Marsh from San Diego Creek Channel via the San Diego Creek Pump Station (SDCPS).

This project will construct miscellaneous improvements in the Marsh to improve operations at the Marsh and enhance water circulation within the Marsh. The improvements include: the replacement of the pumps in the SDCPS with variable speed pumps; the replacement of the SDCPS motor control center; the installation of a new automated strainer at the Marsh Pump Station; the installation of flow monitoring equipment to meter flows in the upper Carlson Marsh; and improvements to contain flood irrigation waters within the Marsh.

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Name of Public Agency Approving
and Carrying out this Project:

Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD)
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, CA 92618

Contact Person: Jo Ann Corey, Engineering Technician III

Area Code 949

Phone 453-5326

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec 21080(b)(1); (State Guidelines Sec. §15268))
 Declared Emergency (Sec 21080(b)(3); State Guidelines Sec. §15269(a))
 Emergency Project (Sec 21080(b)(4); (State Guidelines Sec. §15269(b)(c))
 Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15301)
 Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15302)
 Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15303)
 Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15306)
 Statutory Exemption State code number (State Guidelines §15282)

Reasons why project is exempt:

These activities are exempt under State Guidelines §15301, which provides for minor alterations of existing facilities and under State Guidelines §15302, which provides exemption for replacement of existing facilities.

Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, 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. Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

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
Staff Member Responsible for Preparation

Lisli Bonkowski
District Secretary

Date

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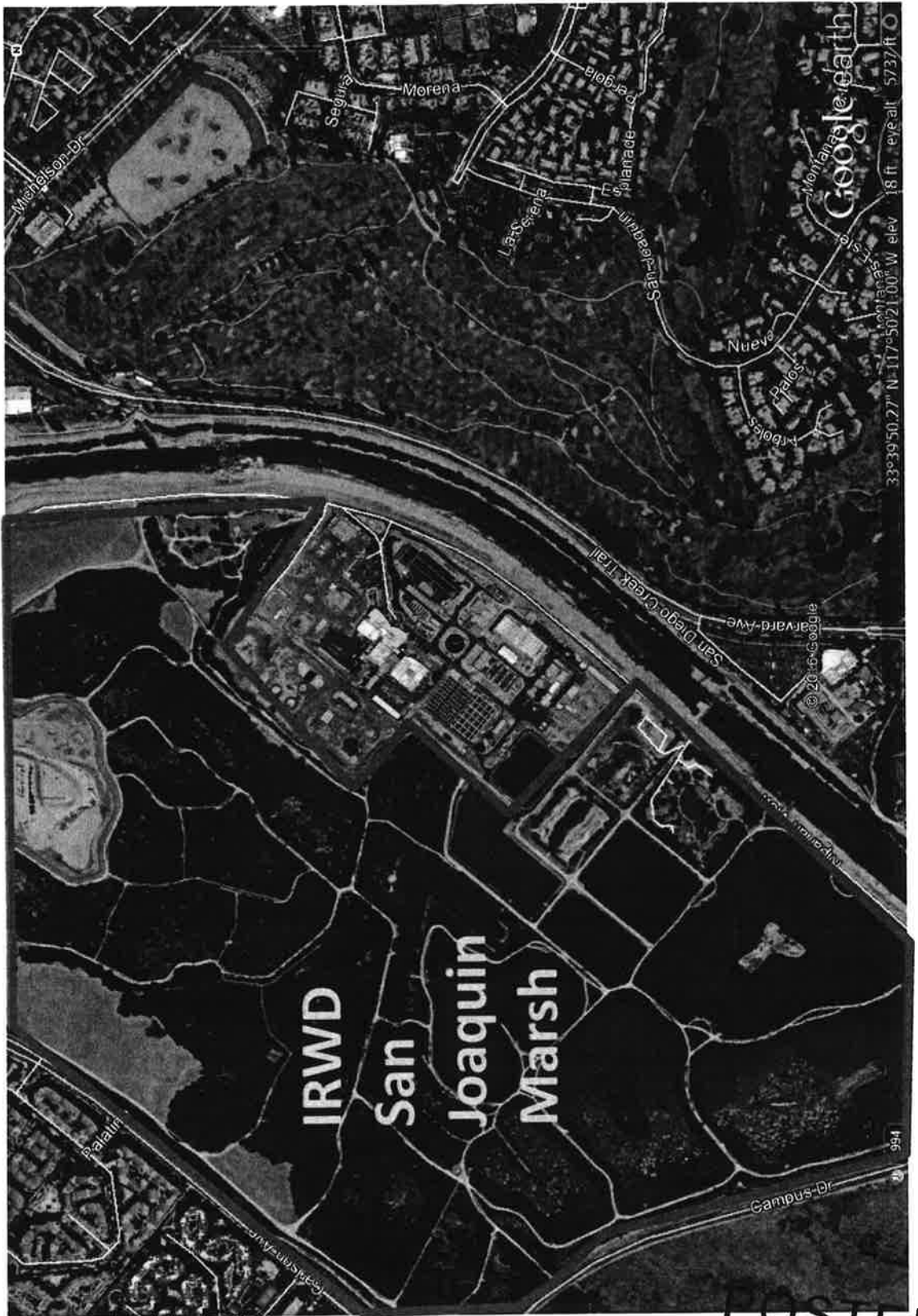
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Exhibit "A" - San Joaquin Marsh



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