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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(State Guidelines 15062)

TO:

Orange County Clerk-Recorder

12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101

Santa Ana, CA 92701

FROM:

Irvine Ranch Water District (Applicant & Lead Agency)

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Project

Name:

Turtle Ridge Pipelines Rehabilitation Project

Project Location Located on Turtle Ridge Drive, between Summit Park and

Bonita Canvon Drive in the City of Irvine (see Exhibit "A")

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Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) owns and operates a 10-inch ductile iron recycled water and a 16-inch ductile iron domestic water mains in Turtle Ridge, which have had corrosion related leaks. In August 2016, a corrosion-related leak occurred on the 16-inch ductile iron domestic water main. A similar corrosion-related leak was repaired on the parallel 10-inch ductile iron recycled water main in 2014. Recent investigations determined that severely corrosive soil conditions caused portions of the pipeline to fail.

This project will rehabilitate, replace or install cathodic protection to the 16-inch domestic and 10-inch ductile iron recycled water pipelines in Turtle Ridge Drive, from Bonita Canyon Drive to Summit Park Drive in Irvine, CA. Cathodic protection is a pipe corrosion prevention method in which a very small electrical current is sent throughout the pipe.

Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying out this Project: Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, CA 92618 Jo Ann Corey, Engineering Technician III Contact Person: Phone 453-5326 Area Code 949 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)) x 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: State Guideline §15301 provides exemption for 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. 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 District Secretary Date FILED POSTED MAY 1 8 2017 MAY 18 2017 HUGH NGUYEN, CLERK-RECORDER HUGH NGUYEN, CLERK-RECORDER

EXHIBIT "A"

