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**Exempt per Gov't Code 6103**

RETURN TO: Jo Ann Corey  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
P.O. Box 57000  
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue  
Irvine, CA 92619-7000  
949-453-5300

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION  
(State Guidelines 15062)

TO: Orange County Clerk-Recorder  
County Administration South  
601 N. Ross Street  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

FROM: Irvine Ranch Water District (Applicant & Lead Agency)  
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Project Name: DATS Miscellaneous Rehabilitation Project  
Project Location: Located at 1704 W. Segerstrom Avenue, Santa Ana, CA  
(see Figure 1)  
County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) owns and operates the Deep Aquifer Treatment System (DATS), located at 1704 West Segerstrom Avenue in Santa Ana, CA. The DATS facility has been in continuous operation since its construction was completed and the facility placed into operation in 2002. IRWD performs maintenance inspections on all of its facilities and recent inspections indicated that rehabilitation is warranted.

The proposed project includes the repair of the structural concrete located inside the DATS facility, replacement of membrane pressure vessel structural supports, and replacement of the clean-in-place cartridge filter system, which includes a new tank, control panel, instrumentation and cartridge filters, all of which have outlived their useful life. The proposed project also includes the re-coating the interior of DATS' three degasifiers and the replacement of several process control valves.

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, Environmental Compliance Specialist

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)

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Reasons why project is exempt:

Provide reasoning here.

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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.

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Leslie Bonkowski  
Staff Member Responsible for Preparation

Leslie Bonkowski  
District Secretary

Date

9/28/20

Deep Aquifer Treatment System (DATS) Location Map



Carl Thornton Park

W. Segerstrom Avenue

S. Bristol Street

Bear Street

Alton Avenue

DATS

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