

# Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
County Clerk  
County of: Los Angeles  
12400 Imperial Highway  
Norwalk, CA 90650-3134

From: (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_  
Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts  
\_\_\_\_\_  
900 S. Fremont Ave, Alhambra, CA 91803  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

Project Title: Water Supply Assessment for Columbia Way Industrial Development Project

Project Applicant: Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley

Project Location - Specific:

The project site is bounded by Columbia Way to the South, Avenue L to the North, 36th St. E to the East, and 30th Street E. to the west

Project Location - City: City of Palmdale Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Approve the Water Supply Assessment (WSA) for the proposed Columbia Way Industrial Development Project in the City of Palmdale as required by California Water Code Section 10910, et. Seq. The assessment shows Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (District), has sufficient water supplies for the proposed development. The District's total projected water supplies available during normal, single-dry, and multiple-dry years during a 20 year projection will meet the projected water demand associated with the project in addition to the District's existing and planned future water uses.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Los Angeles County Public Works for Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15061 (b) (3)

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ON February 22 2024

UNTIL March 26 2024

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Reasons why project is exempt:

Approval of the Water Supply Assessment (WSA) for the proposed Columbia Way Industrial Development Project in the City of Palmdale is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 15061 (b) (3). Approval of the WSA does not constitute an approval of a project under section 21065 of the Public Resources Code and is excluded from the definition of a project pursuant to section 15378 (b)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Further, approval of the WSA does not approve or authorize any project under CEQA, including the proposed Columbia Way Industrial Development Project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Aracely Jaramillo Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 626-300-3353

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: *Aracely Jaramillo* Date: 2/06/2024 Title: Senior Civil Engineer

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_



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Feb 22 2024

Dem C. Logan, Registrar - Recorder/County Clerk

Electronically signed by VALERIE VALADEZ

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION FOR REQUIRED WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT  
(WSA) (SB 610)  
Water Code §10910 *et seq.*

Lead Agency

Applicant's Name and Address

City of Palmdale  
Economic & Community  
Development | Planning Division  
38250 Sierra Highway  
Palmdale, CA 93550

same  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Project Information** (Check all that apply)

Project Title: **Columbia Way Industrial Development Project**

- Residential: No of dwelling units: \_\_\_\_\_
- Shopping center or business: \_\_\_\_\_ employees and/or \_\_\_\_\_ ft<sup>2</sup> of floor space
- Commercial office: \_\_\_\_\_ employees and/or \_\_\_\_\_ ft<sup>2</sup> of floor space
- Hotel or motel: No. of rooms \_\_\_\_\_
- Industrial, manufacturing, or processing: 151 acres, Undisclosed number of employees, and 3,001,712 ft<sup>2</sup> of floor space.
- Mixed use (check and complete all above that apply)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of existing service connections 0

Is this a project as defined by Water Code § 10912? **Yes**


**Water Supply Assessment (WSA)** (see supporting documents)

Date when water supply assessment was approved by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

01/09/2024  
mm/dd/yyyy

- The projected water demand for the project was included in Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 most recently adopted Urban Water Management Plan.
- A sufficient water supply is available for the project. The total water supplies available to Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 during normal, single-dry, and multiple-dry years with a 20-year projection will meet the projected water demand of the project in addition to the demand of existing and other planned future uses, including, but not limited to, agricultural and manufacturing uses.
- A portion of the required water supply will be provided by projected water supplies.
- A sufficient water supply is not available for the Project. [Plan for acquiring and developing sufficient water supply attached. Water Code § 10911(a)]
- An independent supply of \_\_\_ acre-feet of water will be acquired via contract for the Project.

The foregoing determination is based on the following Water Supply Assessment Information and supporting information in the records of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.

  
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Signature Title Date  
Principal Engineer 1/11/2024