

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

TO: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	TO: Inyo County Clerk P.O. Drawer F Independence, CA 93526
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FROM (LEAD AGENCY AND ADDRESS):

 Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)
 111 North Hope Street, Room 1044
 Los Angeles, CA 90012

PROJECT TITLE:

 Well 402 Replacement

PROJECT LOCATION: Please refer to the attached map. Project location is about 3 miles south of Independence off of US Highway 395.	CITY: Independence	COUNTY: Inyo
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DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

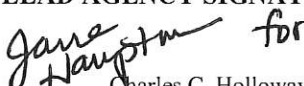
 LADWP plans to replace the existing sole source Well 402, which currently supplies water for a nearby enhancement/mitigation project in Symmes-Shepherd Wellfield. In recent years the well has experienced mechanical problems including sanding and decreasing pumping capacity. In particular the well cannot supply enough water to the project during late summer which has impeded mitigation efforts. The replacement well will have the same design as the existing well and no site preparation or grading is needed. Drilling fluid will be confined in settling tanks and drill cuttings will be removed from the site when work is complete.

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EXEMPT STATUS: Categorical Exemption Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction	SECTION: 15302
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JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

 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.

LEAD AGENCY SIGNATURE:  Charles C. Holloway	TITLE: Manager of Environmental Planning and Assessment	DATE: May 19, 2020
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Independence

395

W402

Lone Pine

★ Replacement Well

W402 Replacement

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