

## Notice of Exemption

To: County Clerk  
County of Mono  
P.O. Box 237  
Bridgeport, CA 93517

From: Mammoth Community Water District  
P.O. Box 597  
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**Project Title:** Well #1 Upgrade Project (Project).

**Project Location:** Well #1 is located at 596 Waterford Avenue in the Town of Mammoth Lakes, Mono County, California. This location can be found on the USGS 7.5' Old Mammoth topographic map, T4S, R27E, NE1/4, NW1/4, Sec 3. A map of the project location is provided as Exhibit A.

**Project Description:** This project will improve the water quality distributed to the community of Mammoth Lakes. Pursuant to notification from the California Department of Public Health under the California Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking Water Act), Article 7, Section 116550, the District is required to take action to reduce arsenic and the corrosive properties of the treated water leaving the District's treatment plants. The Project is the last component of a phased water quality improvement project. The Project will install corrosion control equipment to meet California Safe Drinking Water Standards. In addition, the project will rehabilitate exterior walls and the roof of the building. All improvements will be installed within the existing water treatment plant footprint. Completion of the water quality improvement project will reduce potential public exposure to lead and copper from indoor fixtures and reduce arsenic to acceptable levels in the District's service area. The Mammoth Community Water District's Board of Directors approved construction of the project at their regular monthly meeting on December 19, 2012. The District serves the Town of Mammoth Lakes population, approximately 8,200, and a large fluctuating visitor population, up to approximately 36,000 on weekends and holidays.

**Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying Out the Project:** Mammoth Community Water District

**Exempt Status:** Categorical Exemption Section 15301 Class 1 (a), (b), (d), and (f) of the CEQA Guidelines.

### Reasons why the project is exempt:

This project meets the above-referenced exemptions because the improvements consist of minor alterations of the interior and exterior plumbing of a water treatment plant, the water treatment plant is an existing facility owned by a utility, the alterations involve rehabilitating mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety and rehabilitating the building's exterior siding, and the addition of corrosion control equipment and filter upgrades, in conjunction with improvements at the other two water treatment plants, will improve the health and safety of the potable water supply distributed by the Mammoth Community Water District.

Lead Agency Contact Person: John Pedersen, District Engineer

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
General Manager

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Well #1 Upgrade Project NOE  
Exhibit A

