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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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| TO Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or County Clerk County of. San Bernardino | FROM: Twentynine Palms Water District 72401 Hatch Road Twentynine Palms, CA 92277 SANBERNARDIN |
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| Project Title: | Ordinance Establishing Rates and Charges for Water Service and Reaffirming Certain Prior Rates and Charges as Established by District Resolution 03-16 |
| Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name): | 72401 Hatch Road. Twentynine Palms CA 92277 |
| a) Project Location - City: | |
| Project Location - County: | San Bernardino County |
| Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project: | On May 27, 2009. Twentynine Palms Water District ("District") adopted Ordinance No. 92 establishing a schedule of water service rates and charges, including the rates and charges for water pay station tokens (water service charges and water pay station tokens are collectively referred to as "Service Charges") for a three-year period. Ordinance No. 92 also reaffirms the prior Service Charges and the fire service charges (the "Fire Service Charges") set forth in Resolution 03-16 adopted by the District on August 20, 2003. The Fire Service Charges and the rates for other fees and charges (such other fees and charges and the Fire Service Charges are collectively referred to as the "Other Fees and Charges") established pursuant to Resolution 03-16 do not need to be increased at this time and shall remain in full force and effect as set forth therein. The District approved Ordinance No. 92 in order to generate revenues in an amount sufficient to cover the District's ongoing costs of operations, maintenance, and capital facilities |
| Name of Public Agency approving project: | Twentynine Palms Water District |
| Name of Person or Agency carrying out project: | Twentynine Palms Water District |
| Exempt status: (check one) | |
| Ministerial project. | |
| Not a project. | |
| Emergency Project. | |
| Categorical Exemption. State type and class number: | |
| Declared Emergency. | |
| Statutory Exemption. State Code section number: | Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(8); State CEQA Guidelines§ 15273 |
| Other Explanation: | |

| Reason why project was exempt: | The adoption of Ordinance No. 92 is exempt from CEQA review under Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(8) and State CEQA Guidelines section 15273 because the Service Charges and Other Fees and Charges are necessary and reasonable to fund the administration, operation, maintenance, and improvements of the District's water system and will not result in the expansion of the water system. |
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| Contact Person: | Mike Wright, General Manager |
| Telephone: | 760-367-7546 |
| Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (For | 'm "A") before filing. |
| Date Received for Filing | Signature (Lead Agency Representative) |
| (Clerk Stamp Here) | Title: General Manager |

PRELIMINARY EXEMPTION ASSESSMENT

(Certificate of Determination When Attached to Notice of Exemption)

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