



# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  
Contra Costa County, County Clerk  
555 Escobar Street  
Martinez, CA 94553

**FROM: (LEAD AGENCY)**  
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT  
Office of the Secretary - (510) 287-0404  
375 Eleventh Street, MS 806  
Oakland, CA 94607-4240

- ☒ Lead Agency is the Project Applicant  
☒ Lead Agency is Public Agency Approving Project  
☒ Lead Agency is Carrying Out Project

## PROJECT INFORMATION

- TITLE:** Walnut Creek Water Treatment Plant Control Systems Refresh Project
- LOCATION:** (City, County, and specific location)  
2201 Larkey Lane, Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County, CA
- DESCRIPTION:** Construction activity related to the replacement of the control systems at the Walnut Creek Water Treatment Plant. Additional information provided in Attachment A.

## EXEMPTION FINDING (Check one)

This project is exempt from CEQA because:

- ☐ Activity is not a project
- ☐ Activity is Ministerial (Sec.21080(b)(1); Guideline 15268)
- ☐ Activity is a Declared Emergency (Sec.21080(b)(3); Guideline 15269(a))
- ☐ Activity is an Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); Guideline 15269(b)(c))
- ☒ Activity is Categorically Exempt Under Guideline 15301 and 15302
- ☐ Activity is Statutorily Exempt Under Guideline
- ☒ **Reasons why project is exempt:** Under CCR14, Division 6, Ch 3, Article 19, this project is exempt because it entails repair and minor alteration of an existing publicly owned utility (Sect. 15301(b)) and replacement of existing utility systems involving no expansion of capacity (Sect. 15302(c)).

2025-00011

**FILED**

**January 15, 2025**

KRISTIN B. CONNELLY  
CLERK-RECORDER

By L. Fallas

L. Fallas  
Deputy Clerk

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**JAN 17 2025**

Office of the Secretary

## APPROVAL BY INITIATING UNIT: 551

8/15/2024

Jeremy Jackson

Denise Cicala

*DVC*

1. DATE PREPARED

2. PREPARED BY (Initial)

3. REVIEWED BY (Unit Supv. Initial)

Denise Cicala

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4. RECOMMENDED BY (Division/Section Manager)

Katie Miller

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Associate Civil Engineer

510-287-0482

5. CONTACT PERSON

MAIL SLOT #

TITLE

PHONE

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION APPROVED FOR FILING WITH THE COUNTY CLERK

12/22/2024

DATE

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

01/09/2025

DATE FORWARDED TO COUNTY CLERK

SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT

## **Attachment A**

### **WALNUT CREEK WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONTROL SYSTEMS REFRESH**

#### **Overview and Background**

The Walnut Creek Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Control Systems Refresh Project (Project) will replace the existing Walnut Creek WTP control systems with modern control system hardware and software. The new control system hardware and software selected will match the components installed at Sobrante, Upper San Leandro, and Orinda WTPs.

#### **Project Purpose and Objectives**

The objective of the Project is to increase the operability, reliability, and supportability of the Walnut Creek WTP's control system.

#### **Project Location**

The Walnut Creek WTP is located at 2201 Larkey Lane in Walnut Creek and shown on Figure 1. The Walnut Creek WTP is bordered by Alfred Ave to the East, Larkey Lane to the South, and the Briones – Mount Diablo Regional Trail to the Northwest. The Walnut Creek WTP is just north of Larkey Reservoir. All work will be completed within the existing Walnut Creek WTP facility site.

#### **Project Characteristics**

The scope of work includes the following:

- Removing/replacing Controllers
- Virtualizing Servers and Workstations
- Upgrading Network
- Replacing Input/Output (I/O)
- Moving Larkey Pumping Plant to SCADA
- Replacing Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) backup power system
- Installing Operator Workstation
- Installing large form factor monitors

#### **Permits and Approvals**

No permits are required for the Project because all work will be performed on EBMUD's Walnut Creek WTP property or easements.

#### **Schedule and Work Hours**

Construction is scheduled to commence in May 2025. The estimated construction duration is approximately 15 months. Regular construction work hours will be 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## EBMUD Practices and Procedures

Standard construction environmental and safety practices applicable to all EBMUD construction projects have been incorporated into the Project. These standard practices minimize impacts to the public resulting from EBMUD construction projects.

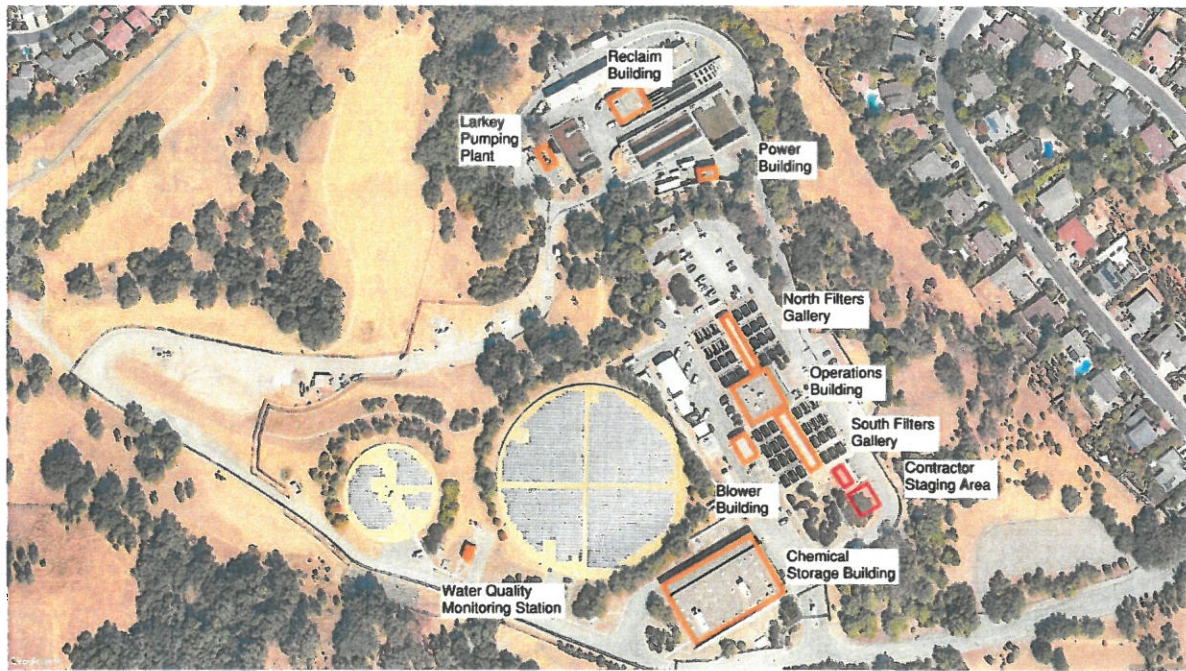


Figure 1: Site Vicinity Map at Walnut Creek Water Treatment Plant

**NOTICES OF DETERMINATION, NOTICES OF AVAILABILITY AND  
NOTICES OF EXEMPTION**

**AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

**Pursuant to Public Resources Code §21152C, the following  
Notice of Determination, Notice of Availability and/or Notice of  
Exemption, was posted on January 15, 2025 at the:**

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE  
555 ESCOBAR STREET, MARTINEZ, CA 94553**

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**for**

**WALNUT CREEK WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONTROL SYSTEMS REFRESH PROJECT**

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

FILED DATE: January 15, 2025

RETURNED TO: EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

RETURNED DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

KRISTIN B. CONNELLY , COUNTY CLERK

By:                     J. H. L.                    

Deputy



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

07-01/15/2025-011

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT		01/15/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY		2025-00011
PROJECT TITLE		

WALNUT CREEK WATER TREATMENT PLANT CONTROL SYSTEMS REFRESH PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT		(510) 287-0404
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
375 ELEVENTH STREET, MS 806	OAKLAND	CA
		ZIP CODE
		94607-4240

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,123.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 2,968.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,401.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00  
☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other 4315

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X *Lt dls*

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Leonardo Fallas Deputy Clerk

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JAN 17 2025

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