



# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

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Office of the Secretary

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

1. TITLE: Orinda WTP Lift Station Electrical Maintenance Improvements
2. LOCATION: (City, County, and specific location)  
Orinda Water Treatment Plant (WTP), 190 Camino Pablo, Orinda, Contra Costa County, CA
3. DESCRIPTION: Construction and maintenance activity related to electrical and civil site work to update the Orinda Water Treatment Plant lift station. Additional information is provided in Attachment A.

2026-00003

## FILED

January 6, 2026

KRISTIN B. CONNELLY

CLERK-RECORDER

By L. Fallas

L. Fallas  
Deputy Clerk

## EXEMPTION FINDING (Check one)

This project is exempt from CEQA because:

1.  Activity is not a project
2.  Activity is Ministerial (Sec.21080(b)(1); Guideline 15268)
3.  Activity is a Declared Emergency (Sec.21080(b)(3); Guideline 15269(a))
4.  Activity is an Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); Guideline 15269(b)(c))
5.  Activity is Categorically Exempt Under Guideline 15301, 15303, and 15311
6.  Activity is Statutorily Exempt Under Guideline \_\_\_\_\_
7.  Reasons why project is exempt: This project is exempt under Guideline 15301, since it involves negligible or no expansion of the Orinda WTP's capacity, and can be categorized under example (b), since it entails minor alteration of an existing public facility.

This project is exempt under Guideline 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) since the project consists of a small facility for electrical equipment on a concrete pad measuring 24 ft x 10 ft with an open canopy and adjacent repaving of the surrounding asphalt.

This project is exempt under Guideline 15311 (Accessory Structures) since the project is an accessory structure within the larger existing Orinda WTP. The structure will be located directly adjacent to the existing lift station wet well and motor control center (MCC) enclosure.

## APPROVAL BY INITIATING UNIT:

October 6, 2025

Chloe Cheok CC

Sarah Plummer SFP

1. DATE PREPARED

2. PREPARED BY (initial)

3. REVIEWED BY (Unit Supv. Initial)

Denise Cicala DC Denise Cicala

4. RECOMMENDED BY (Division/Section Manager)

Sarah Plummer

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Senior Civil Engineer

510-287-2099

5. CONTACT PERSON

MAIL SLOT #

TITLE

PHONE

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

December 9, 2025

S. Terentieff

Serge V. Terentieff

DATE

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

December 29, 2025

Rischa S. Cole

Rischa S. Cole

DATE FORWARDED TO COUNTY CLERK

SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT

## **Attachment A**

### **ORINDA WATER TREATMENT PLANT LIFT STATION ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS (ESR 25-778-001)**

#### **Overview and Background**

The East Bay Municipal Utility District owns and operates Orinda Water Treatment Plant (WTP) as part of its system that provides customers with safe drinking water that meets or exceeds all regulatory standards. The Orinda Lift Station is required to regularly pump waste effluent from the treatment process to the settling ponds located across the main WTP site. The electrical maintenance improvements will ensure that the lift station pumps operate on a more reliable power distribution and motor protection system, which greatly reduces the risk of electrical failures of this system.

#### **Purpose and Objectives**

The Orinda WTP was constructed in 1935 and has been regularly upgraded over several decades. The lift station was added to the treatment system in the 1980's and currently requires electrical maintenance improvements to ensure reliable operation of the lift station pumps.

#### **Project Characteristics**

The Project consists of installing a 24-foot by 10-foot concrete pad with conduits, electrical equipment, and a canopy, as well repaving of the lift station area.

#### **Permits and Approvals**

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

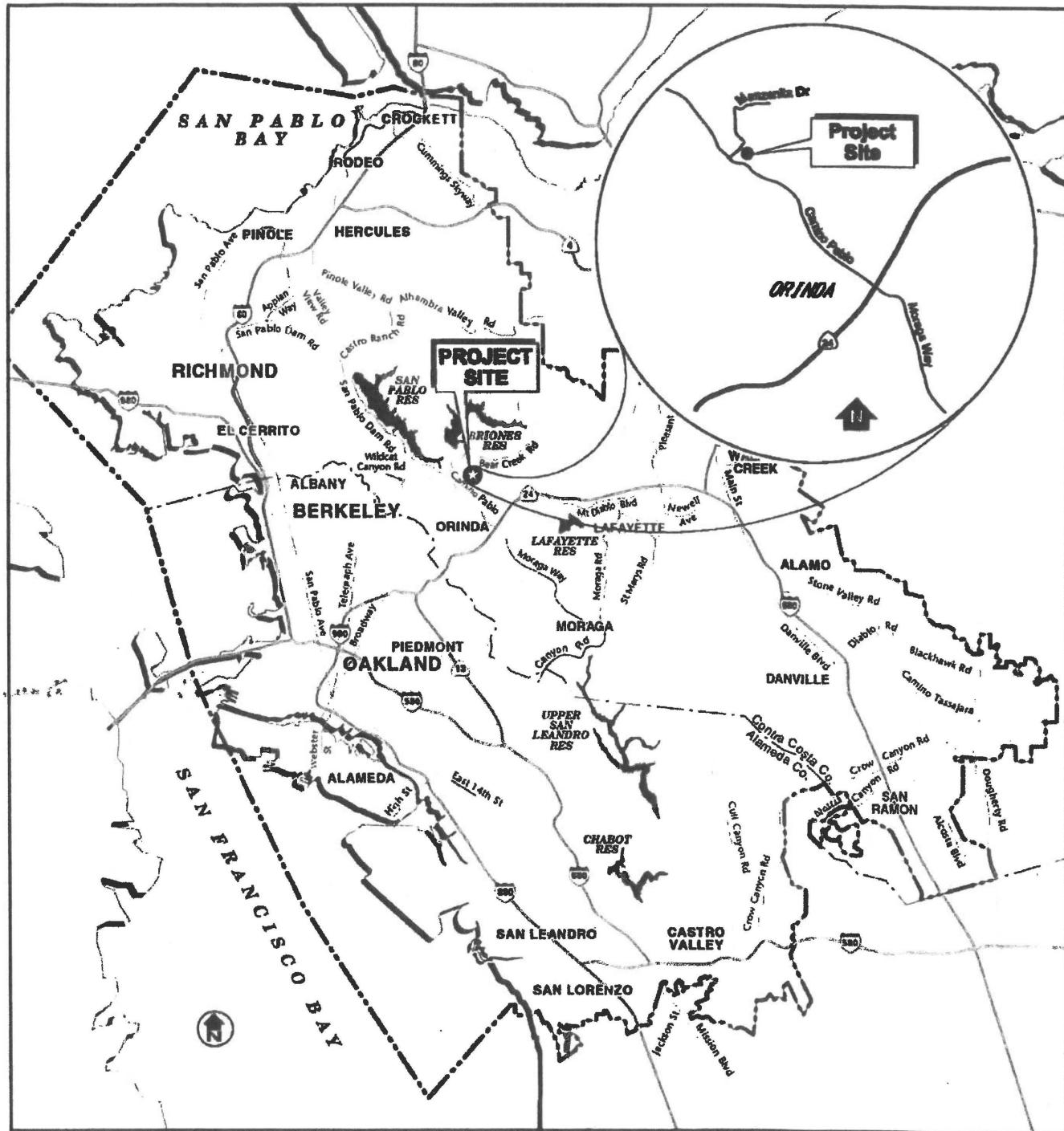
#### **Schedule and Work Hours**

Construction is scheduled to occur within the span of 2025-2027. Regular work hours will be from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday to 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.

## **Attachment A**



## PROJECT SITE LOCATION MAP

**NOT TO SCALE**

**EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

# ORINDA WATER TREATMENT PLANT LIFT STATION INTERIM ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

ESR 25-778-001



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

07-01/06/2026-003

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT		01/06/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY		2026-00003

PROJECT TITLE

ORINDA WTP LIFT STATION ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS

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

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,227.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 3,043.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,437.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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 5958

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X

L Fallas

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Leonardo Fallas Deputy Clerk

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JAN 09 2026

Office of the Secretary

Kristin B. Connelly  
Contra Costa  
Clerk-Recorder  
555 Escobar Street  
Martinez, CA 94553  
(925) 335-7900

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Finalization No.: 202600000933

Cashier: lfallas

Register: CLERKPC4

Date/Time: 01/06/2026 08:35 AM

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Description	Fee
<b>NOTICE OF EXEMPTION</b>	
Filing Time:	08:35 AM
Filing Total:	\$50.00
Filing Fee:	\$50.00
<b>Total Amount Due:</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Total Paid</b>	
Check Tendered:	\$50.00
#5958	
Amount Due:	\$0.00

EACH TRANSACTION IS FINAL AND  
NON-REFUNDABLE.



THANK YOU  
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

**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 6, 2026 at the:**

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

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION  
for  
ORINDA WTP LIFT STATION ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENTS**

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

FILED DATE: January 6, 2026

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RETURNED TO: EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

Office of the Secretary

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

**KRISTIN B. CONNELLY, COUNTY CLERK**

By: J. Hollis  
Deputy