

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA. 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of Mono
P.O. Box 237
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From (Public Agency):
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Project Title: Agnew Lake Dam Geomembrane Liner Installation and Dam Repair Project (Project)

Project Applicant: Southern California Edison

Project Location - Specific: The Project area is located on the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. The Project is located on Rush Creek, approximately 5 miles southwest of June Lake Loop (State Route 158) and approximately 11 miles southwest of US Highway 395, in Mono County, California.

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Agnew Lake is part of Southern California Edison's (SCE) Rush Creek Hydroelectric Project, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project Number 1389, for which FERC issued a new operating license on February 4, 1997. SCE proposes to install a geomembrane liner on the upstream side of Agnew Lake Dam. In addition to the geomembrane installation, plinth repairs, outlet structure repair, and foundation grouting may be undertaken. Installation of the geomembrane is expected to extend the effective life span of the structure by up to thirty years.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Water Resources Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1, §15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The existing facility exemption applies because SCE's upgrade project is limited to repairs and alterations to an existing dam as defined by California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines §15301.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Oscar Biondi

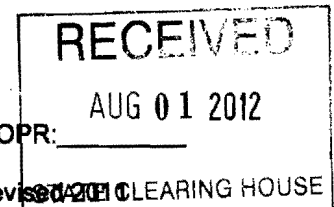
Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 323-9397

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Tom Howard Date: 8/1/12 Title: Executive Director

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant



Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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