



MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 304 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 <input type="checkbox"/> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk: County of: Riverside Address: County Clerk's Office 2720 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92502-0751	FROM: Public Agency/Lead Agency: March Joint Powers Authority Address: 14205 Meridian Parkway Ste. 140 Riverside, CA 92518 Contact: Jeffrey M. Smith, AICP Phone: 951 656-7000
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1. Project Title:	Grant of Temporary Construction Easements and Permanent Access, Pipeline and Tunnel Easements to the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) for the completion of the Perris Valley Pipeline Project.
2. Project Applicant:	March Joint Powers Authority
3. 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):	See attached map
4. (a) Project Location – City:	NA
(b) Project Location – County:	Riverside
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	<p>This portion the Perris Valley Pipeline Project, within the March Joint Powers Authority (March JPA) jurisdictional boundaries, will tie together two previously constructed sections of the pipeline, one located northwest of the Interstate 215 Freeway-Van Buren Boulevard Interchange, and the other located southeast of the Interchange. This Project is an approximately 3000-foot-long, 96-inch diameter potable water pipeline that will increase treated water supplies to western Riverside County.</p> <p>In order to complete the Pipeline Project and enable future operations, maintenance, and inspections, the MWD is requesting that March Joint Powers Authority grant the following temporary and permanent easements, as described below:</p> <p>1) Temporary Access Easement (West of I-215 Freeway): [PEVAL1-01-755TEA1 (42,790 s.f.), PEVAL1-01-800TEA1 (11,770 s.f.)] A proposed temporary easement used for ingress and ingress to deliver pipe and other equipment to MWD's Shaft 1 location. This access easement will only be required during the</p>

	<p>duration of the construction.</p> <p>2) Permanent Access Easement-West (West of I 215 Freeway): [PEVAL1-01-755PEA1 (5,270 s.f.)] A proposed permanent easement, west of the I 215 Freeway, for ingress, egress, and road purposes to Metropolitan's existing permanent easement. This easement will connect to Metropolitan's existing easement where the Perris Valley pipeline is located.</p> <p>3) Permanent Pipeline and Access Easement (East of I 215 Freeway): [PEVAL1-01-766PEA1 - Part A (2,180 s.f.), PEVAL1-01-766PEA1 - Part B (750 s.f.)] A proposed permanent easement, east of I-215 Freeway, for installing, maintaining, and operating a pipeline with ingress and egress rights</p> <p>4) Permanent Tunnel Easement (East of I-215 Freeway): [PEVAL1-01-766PEA2 (13,440 s.f.)] A proposed subsurface permanent easement, west of the I-215 Freeway, for installing, maintaining, and operating a pipeline underground, with no surface rights for access, except for the purpose of making a survey in connection with the construction of the tunnel.</p>
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	March Joint Powers Authority
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Metropolitan Water District
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	
(b) <input type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	
(d) <input type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and class number:	
(e) <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency.	
(f) <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other. Explanation:	Pursuant to Sections 15162 and 15163, the granting of easements is consistent with the EIR (SCH No. 2005061028) and Addendums, for the Perris Valley Pipeline Project and such, would not require any additional environmental analysis. None of the circumstances/new information outlined in Section 15162 has occurred.
9. Reason why project was exempt:	The Metropolitan Water District, for the proposed Project, anticipated obtaining real property rights (easements) from other private owners and various public agencies, including the March Joint Powers Authority, to complete the Perris Valley Pipeline Project. The granting of easements for the Perris Valley Pipeline Project do not meet any of the conditions that would require the preparation of a

	subsequent EIR or negative declaration set forth in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines or any of the conditions requiring the preparation of a supplement to an EIR as set forth in Section 15163 of the State CEQA Guidelines
10. Lead Agency Contact Person:	Jeffrey M. Smith, AICP Principal Planner March Joint Powers Authority
Telephone:	(951) 656-7000
11.	If filed by applicant: Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form "A") before filing.
12.	Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
13.	Was a public hearing held by the lead agency to consider the exemption? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, the date of the public hearing was: August 10, 2022

Signature: _____ **Date:** August 10, 2022 **Title:** Principal Planner
Jeffrey M. Smith

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing: _____

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21100, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code

Perris Valley Pipeline Project - March JPA Easements Location Map

