Aquifer Exemptions in CA – Projection of Actions and Upcoming Submittals

To date, EPA has approved 21 compliance Aquifer Exemption requests submitted by the State (see summary on reverse). Below is a summary of current proposals under review and the projection of upcoming submittals and expected EPA actions.

Formally submitted to EPA

Lynch Canyon – Lanigan Sand (Coastal District, Monterey County)

Upcoming submittals (public notice/hearing complete):

Sespe (Coastal District, Ventura County)

Cat Canyon (Coastal District, Santa Barbara County)

Upcoming public notice (received preliminary concurrence from the State Board; hearings not completed):

Holser (Coastal District, Ventura County)

Oxnard (Coastal District, Ventura County)

Other expected compliance submittals:

The State is processing 4 additional AE proposals for fields where there is ongoing injection into non-exempt aquifers; timing of submittals for the following fields/formations is highly uncertain, however, the State is projecting preliminary concurrence for these AE proposals in Summer/Fall 2021.

Lompoc (Coastal District, Santa Barbara County)

Kern River (Inland District, Kern County)

Midway-Sunset – Tulare (Inland District, Kern County)

Mount Poso – Dorsey Area (Inland District, Kern County)

Approved Aquifer Exemption Requests in California

FY17 – 2nd Quarter (3 approved)	Tejon; Round Mountain; Fruitvale
FY17 – 3rd Quarter (1)	Mount Poso
FY17 – 4th Quarter (2)	Kern Front (Vedder); Jasmin
FY18 – 2nd Quarter (2)	Elk Hills, Phase 1; Elk Hills, Phase 2
FY18 – 3rd Quarter (1)	Poso Creek
FY18 – 4th Quarter (3)	Kern Front (Upper Chanac); Cymric; McKittrick
FY19 – 1st Quarter (1)	San Ardo/McCool Ranch
FY19 – 3rd Quarter (6)	Arroyo Grande; Edison, Phase 1; Lost Hills; Midway-Sunset; North Belridge; Edison, Phase 2
FY20 – 2nd Quarter (1)	South Belridge (Western Expansion Area)
FY21 – 2nd Quarter (1)	Jacalitos-Coalinga