

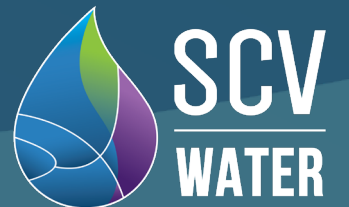
CEQA GUIDELINES

Adoption of New 2024 Local CEQA Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act

Water Resources and Watershed Committee

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LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES AFFORDABLE HOUSING



SECTION 9.10

- Financial assistance for affordable housing projects exempt from CEQA.
- Applies if project is subject to CEQA review by another public agency.

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SECTION 9.11



- Statutory Exemptions
 - Entitlements
 - Leases
 - Rezoning
 - Financial Assistance

LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES AFFORDABLE HOUSING

SECTION 9.12

- Ministerial approval
 - Owned by Independent Institution of Higher Education
 - Owned by Religious Institutions
 - Must have been owned prior to January 1, 2024



LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES NOE FILING PROCEDURES

SECTION 3.4



- SCV Water staff follow procedures already.
- NOEs filed with County and State Clearinghouse.
- Submit within 5 days of project acceptance.
- NOEs posted on Agency website

LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES NOD FILING PROCEDURES



SECTION 6.20

- NODs for NDs and MNDs filed with the County and State Clearinghouse.
- Submit within 5 days of project acceptance.
- Posted on Agency website

LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES NOD FILING PROCEDURES

SECTION 7.39



- NODs for EIRs filed with the County and State Clearinghouse.
- Submit within 5 days of project acceptance.
- Posted on Agency Website

LOCAL GUIDELINE CHANGES ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

SECTION 10.03

- Increases control over preparation during litigation
 - Denial of petitioner's request within 5 days.
- Administrative Record need not include:
 - Logistical communications and emails
 - Documents subject to Privilege or Exemption



RECOMMENDATIONS

The Water Resources and Watershed Committee recommend that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors Adopt a Resolution Adopting New 2024 Local CEQA Guidelines for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act for Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

