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RETURN TO: Jo Ann Corey
Irvine Ranch Water District
P.O. Box 57000
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue
Irvine, CA 92619-7000
949-453-5300

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
(State Guidelines 15062)

TO: Orange County Clerk-Recorder
12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101
Santa Ana, CA 92701

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ORANGE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER DEPARTMENT

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FROM: Irvine Ranch Water District (Applicant & Lead Agency)
P.O. Box 57000
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue
Irvine, CA 92619-7000
(949) 453-5300

Project Name: Vault Lid Replacement Project 2019

Project Location: Modjeska Drive, Irvine Boulevard, and Orchard Hills Drive, Irvine, CA

County: Orange (See Exhibit "A")

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) owns and operates eleven vaults located within Irvine Boulevard, Modjeska and Orchard Hills Drive. The vaults have metal lids which are damaged making them prone to vibrating ajar and opening unintentionally. The vault sites are reflected in a location map attached as Exhibit "A". The current lids are spring-assisted, two-leaf lids that are normally secured in the closed position with bolts. Due to wheel loading and vibrations from vehicular traffic including large semitrailer trucks and commercial vehicles, the threaded connections on the lids have become stripped and the lid hinges have also been damaged. To assure the lids do not open unintentionally, the lids have been tack-welded or paved over.

The project's work includes replacing each vault lid to minimize the risk of unintentional opening; modifying existing valve operating wheels with valve stem extensions to allow staff to operate valves at the street surface; and replacing, repairing, or modifying damaged concrete vault decks allowing improved drivability within Irvine Boulevard.

Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying out this Project: Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD)
15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, CA 92618

Contact Person: Jo Ann Corey, Environmental Compliance Specialist

Area Code 949 Phone 453-5326

Exempt Status: (check one)

____ Ministerial (Sec 21080(b)(1); (State Guidelines Sec. §15268)
____ Declared Emergency (Sec 21080(b)(3); State Guidelines Sec. §15269(a))
____ Emergency Project (Sec 21080(b)(4); (State Guidelines Sec. §15269(b)(c))
__x__ Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15301)
__x__ Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15302)
____ Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15303)
____ Categorical Exemption (State Guidelines Sec. §15306)
____ Statutory Exemption State code number (State Guidelines §15282)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The work will include minor modifications to the vault lids, modifications to the layout of the vaults and replacement of the vault lids but will not result in an expansion of the use. These activities are exempt under Categorical Exemptions 15301 and 15302, which provide exemptions for minor alterations to existing facilities and replacement or reconstruction of existing facilities.

Submission of this form is optional. Local agencies may file this form with the county clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). The filing of the notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project under Public Resources Code Section 21167(d). Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

Jo Ann Corey, Environmental Compliance Specialist
Staff Member Responsible for Preparation

Leslie Bonnarsh
District Secretary

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Date

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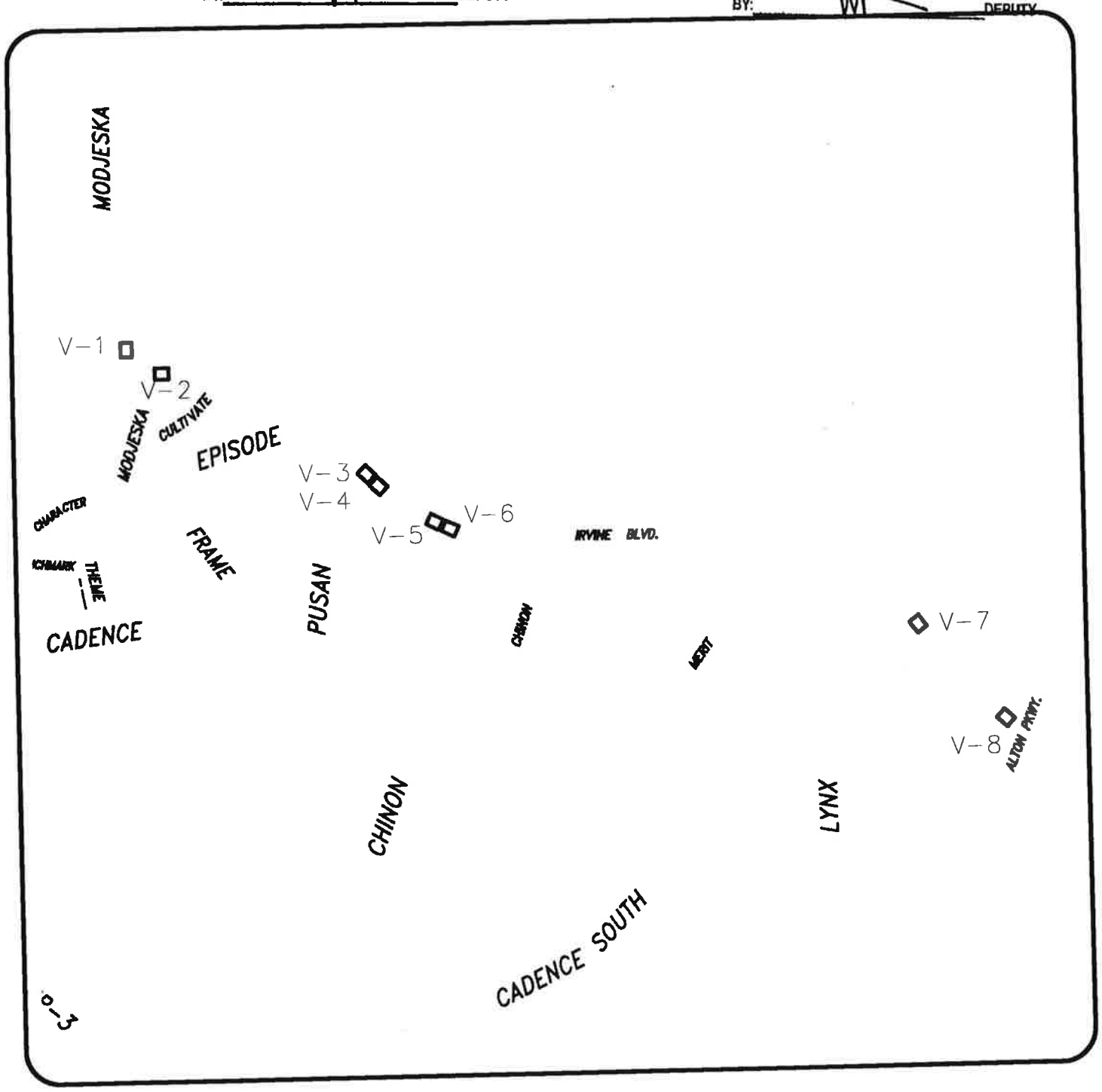

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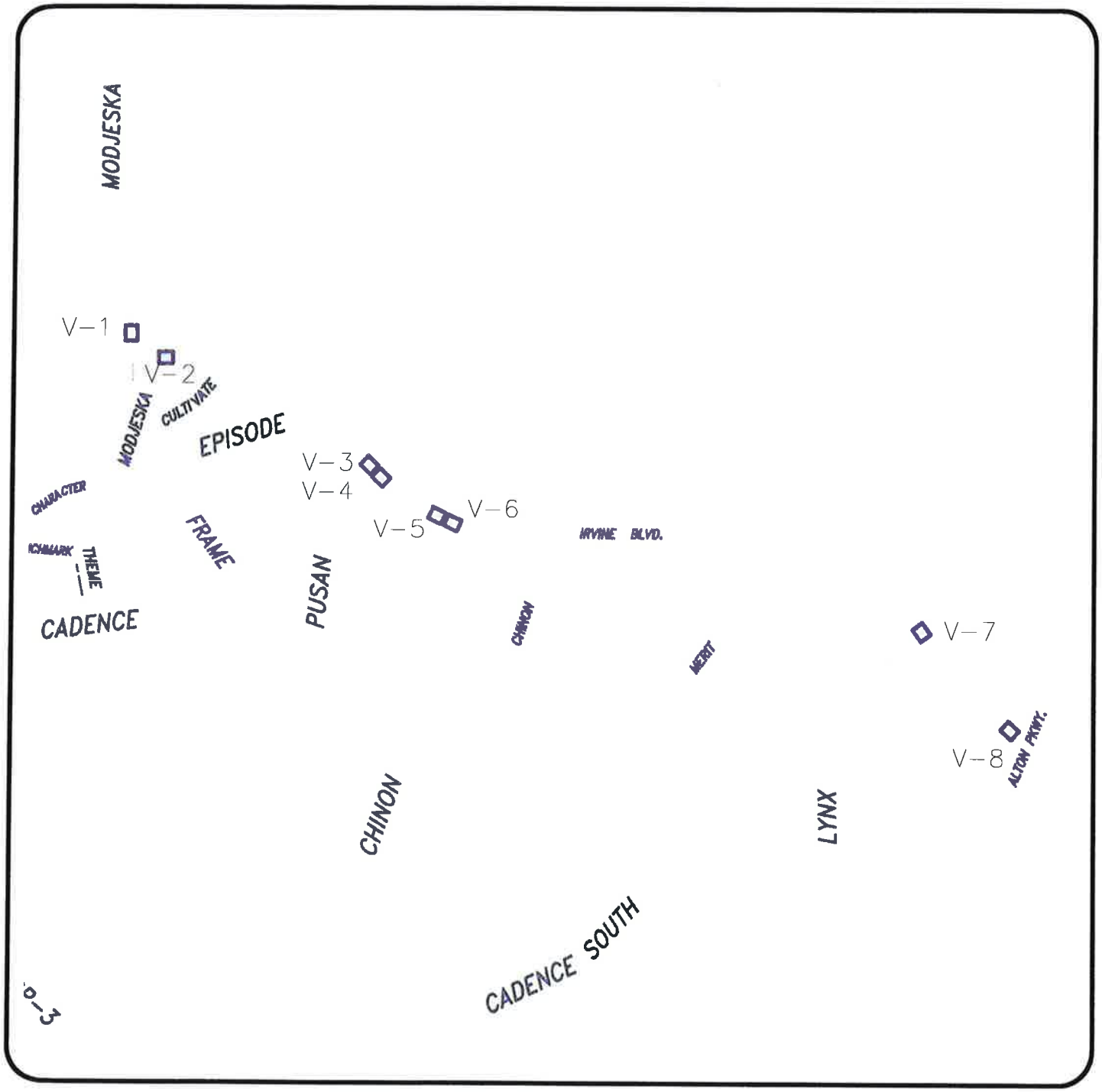
EXHIBIT "A"
LOCATION MAP



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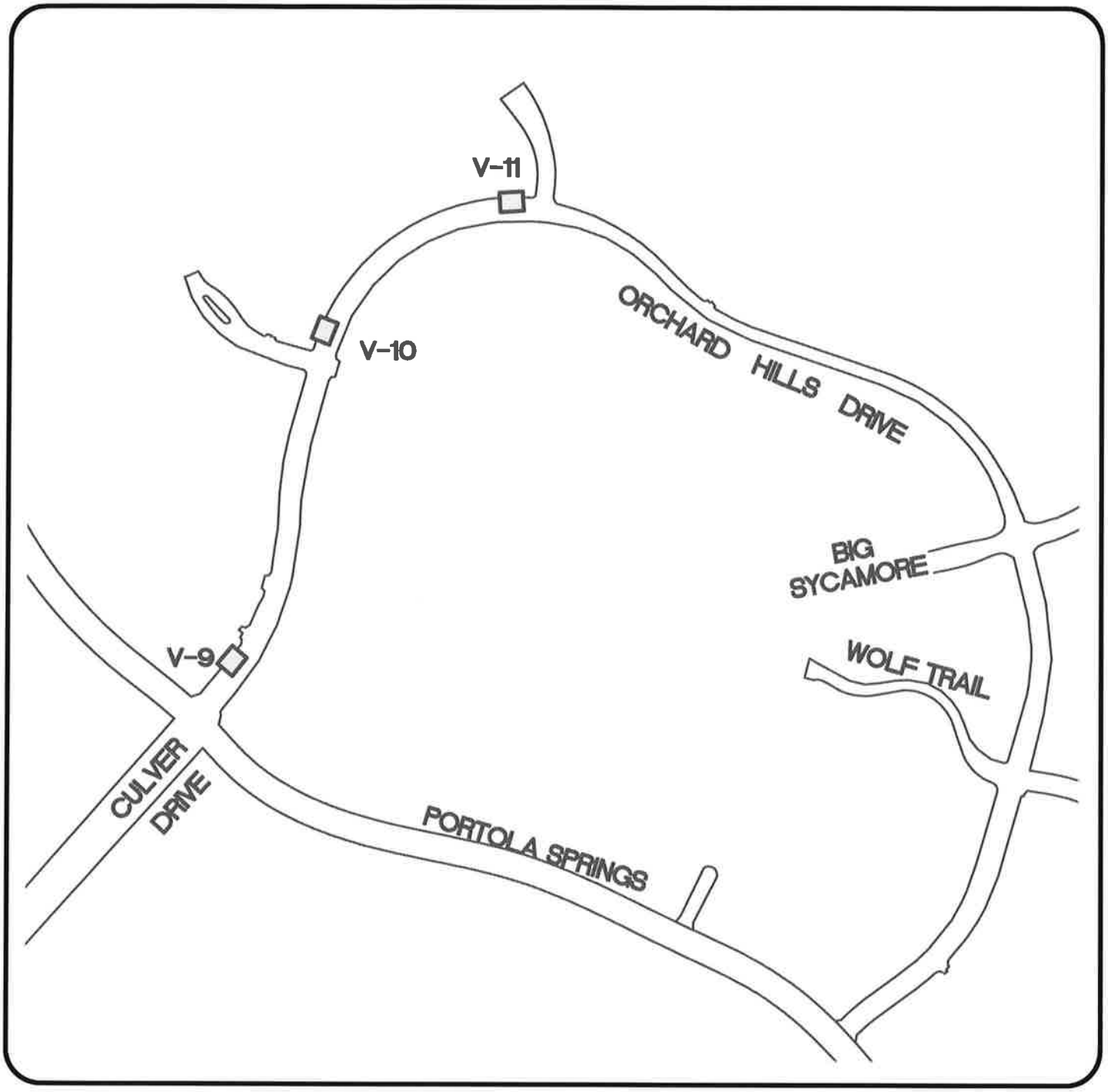

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