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**Project Title:** Permit No. 19560: SR 120 TMC Upgrade

**Project Applicant (if any):** California Department of Transportation (CalTrans), District 10

**Project Location/Address/City/County:** The project is located where I-5 crosses the San Joaquin River, on the west side of the bridge crossing, in San Joaquin County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** To install a 2-inch-diameter fiber optic conduit and cable between existing Caltrans pull boxes on the landside, left (west) bank, slope of the San Joaquin River. To install a fiber optic cable across the bridge through existing conduits embedded in the bridge barrier.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB)

**Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project:** CalTrans, District 10

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: §§ 15301 Existing Facilities, 1503 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

CVFPB staff has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption; and Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of small electrical new equipment (fiber optic cable) between existing Caltrans pull boxes and to install fiber optic cable across the bridge through existing conduits embedded into the bridge barrier. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 apply.

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January 14, 2022

Date

- Signed by Lead Agency       Signed by Responsible Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

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