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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21108.

**State Clearinghouse Number (SCH No.):** 2009112025

**Project Title:** Permit No. 19778 American River Watershed Common Features / Natomas Post-Authorization Change Report / Natomas Levee Improvement Program, Phase 4b Landside Improvements Project, MCI Metro Utility Extension

**Project Applicant:** MCI Metro Access Transmission Services

**Lead Agency/Address:** Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA), 1007 7<sup>th</sup> Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** John Bassett, (916) 874-7606

**Project Location/City/County:** The project is located along Garden highway near the intersection of Garden highway and I-80 bridge, in Sacramento County.

**Project Description:** Approval of Permit No. 19778, under California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Article 3, Section 6, for work within an adopted plan of flood control: To authorize a new temporary wood pole, on the waterside of the Garden Highway levee, with a cable to extend to the I-80 bridge, where Verizon will tie into their existing conduit on the bridge pier, which extends to the deck and across the levee. Verizon's fiber cable will cross Garden Highway with a minimum clearance of 22 feet to connect to the existing conduit on the landside of the Garden Highway, attached to the I-80 bridge. There is no underground utility work proposed for this permit. This utility relocation project is required for the Natomas Basin Civil Works Project.

This is to advise that the Board, as the **Responsible Agency**, approved the above-described project on February 12, 2024, and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [ will /  will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within the Board's permitting jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [ An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) /  A Mitigated Negative Declaration] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [ were /  were not] made a condition of the Board's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [ was /  was not] adopted by the Board for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [ was /  was not] adopted by the Board for this project.
6. Findings [ were /  were not] made by the Board pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

**Responsible Agency Statement:** The EIR, prepared by the lead agency for the project, is available to the general public at the lead agency's office listed above. The Board's administrative record related to the encroachment permit is available for public review at the Board's office.

*ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:*

February 12, 2024

Signature

Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21100-21174, Public Resources Code.