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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

**California Environmental Quality Act  
Notice of Exemption for  
Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research **From:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Central Valley Region, Redding Office  
Sacramento, CA 95814 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205  
Redding, CA 96002

**Date:** 29 October 2019

**Project Title:** Somerset Avenue Erosion Control Project,  
Redding (WDID No. 5A45CR00583)

**Project Location - Specific:** 3676 Somerset Avenue, Redding, CA 96002  
Latitude: 40.5540° and Longitude: -122.3417°

**Project Location - County:** Shasta County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) proposes to regrade an area approximately 15-feet by 50-feet above the Churn Creek bank in the backyard of the property owner. The graded area will be overlaid with 12 cubic yards of loam/mulch mix. In addition, approximately 12 tons of one to three-foot diameter boulders will be placed from the top of Churn Creek bank along a 5-foot by 52-foot stretch of Churn Creek bank to serve as rock slope protection and stabilize the bank. All disturbed areas are to be seeded and mulched with straw.

**Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:**

**Federal Agencies:** The project requires authorization under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District. Clean Water Act Section 404, Nationwide Permit No. 13, Bank Stabilization.

**State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Office. WDID No. 5A45CR00583.

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

Gerald Robbins  
Western Area Power Administration  
114 Parkshore Drive  
Folsom, CA 95630

**Exempt Status:**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Article 19, section 15304, Minor Alterations to Land. Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

**Reasons why Project is Exempt:**

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA section 15304 because the project involves a minor alteration to land with the placement of 94 linear feet of riprap.

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**Date:** 10/29/19

**Title:** Senior Environmental Scientist

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

cc: Kristen Dalldorf, Western Area Power Administration, Folsom  
Matthew Roberts, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Redding

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