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FROM: Central Valley Flood Protection Board
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Project Title: Permit No. 19696 - Agricultural Road Crossing 4 Fish Passage Project

Project Applicant (if any): Department of Water Resources

Project Location/Address/City/County: The proposed bridge will be constructed across Tule Canal, approximately 0.4 miles downstream of Sacramento Bypass, northeast of the City of West Sacramento, and within the Yolo Bypass in Yolo County.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To remove an existing agricultural road crossing the Tule Canal and replace it with an 80-foot-long, 24-foot-wide, 2-span, pre-cast concrete slab agricultural road crossing (ARC4) with rock slope protection. Additional improvements include new approach roads and an 18-inch diameter water line attached to the north side of the new crossing. A temporary coffer dam will be utilized during construction.

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

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

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: § 15302, 15304, 15333
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Board has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15302) because the proposed activity consists of the removal of an existing earthen agricultural road crossing and culvert infrastructure with a concrete slab bridge. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304) because the proposed activity consists of grading activities and rock slope protection placement which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. The project is also exempt under the Class 33, Small Habitat Restoration categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15333) because the proposed activity consists of a culvert replacement to improve habitat or reduce sedimentation. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

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March 22, 2024

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer

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.