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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  
400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Redding, CA 96002

**From:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Central Valley Region, Redding Office  
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205  
Redding, CA 96002

**Date:** 16 July 2021

**Project Title:** Adobe Road Bank Stabilization – Taylor Property Project

**Project Location - Specific:** 22321 Adobe Road  
Red Bluff, CA  
Assessor's Parcel Number: 027-170-012-000  
Latitude: 40.213613° and Longitude: -122.20551°  
Township 27N, Range 3W, Section 9

**Project Location - County:** Tehama County

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

The purpose of the project is to stabilize the bank of the Sacramento River on the property to prevent further erosion and further loss of the bank. The project includes the placement of rock slope protection (RSP) along the bank of the Sacramento River. Prior to the placement of RSP, portions of the bank will be excavated to form a slope of 1.5:1. Soil will be excavated, RSP fabric will be placed, and RSP will be installed approximately 2.5 feet thick. The project will not include the removal of any mature, healthy trees. An excavator will be used to excavate material from the bank of the Sacramento River as well as to place the RSP. The excavator will be operated at the top of the bank of the river. Work will be completed during periods of low water in the Sacramento River when the work area is naturally dewatered. The project also includes installation of a floating dock that will consist of two pipes, 15 feet long, cemented in two 24-inch diameter holes above the bank to allow for the dock.

**Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:**

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

*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. 5A52CR00201.

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

Pete Taylor  
22076 Gilmore Ranch Road  
Red Bluff, CA 96080

**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 and agricultural purposes.

**Reasons why Project is Exempt:**

This project is Categorical Exempt under CEQA section 15304 because the project involves minor alterations to land, water, and vegetation with no removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees.

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**Signature:** Lynn Coster

**Date:** 7/16/2021

**Title:** Senior Environmental Scientist

cc: Pete Taylor, Red Bluff  
Kristine Cloward, VESTRA Resources Inc., Redding  
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