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FROM: Central Valley Flood Protection Board
 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170
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Project Title: Permit No. 15116-2: Permit Condition Removal

Project Applicant (if any): Bachitar Singh and Jaswinder Kaur

Project Location/Address/City/County: The project is located approximately 2 miles west of Interstate 5 in French Camp, in San Joaquin County.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To remove and replace an existing authorized irrigation pipe with a new 12-inch diameter irrigation steel pipe; to remove and replace an existing 1.25-inch diameter steel electrical conduit with a new 1.25-inch diameter PVC electrical conduit on the right (east) bank levee of the San Joaquin River. The existing irrigation pipe is part of an existing irrigation system constructed in 1989 that includes a pump attached to a steel pipe intake structure, an elevated platform and pile supports, a 48-inch diameter concrete standpipe, and power source as shown in the as constructed drawings dated October 13, 1989, and survey notes dated September 20, 1989, of Permit No. 15116. This is also a name change permit and includes conditions that are consistent with current flood control standards and policies of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB). This permit supplements Permit No. 15116 that was issued to Rio Blanco Ranch Inc. on January 27, 1989.

Public Agency Approving Project: CVFPB

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Bachitar Singh and Jaswinder Kaur

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 Replacement or Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

Board staff has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement and Reconstruction categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15302) because the activity consists of the removal and replacement of an existing irrigation pipe and electrical conduit with substantially the same purpose and capacity. In addition, this permit would facilitate a name change. An application to change the name of the permittee does not have the potential to result in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and thus, is not a “project” for purposes of CEQA (Public Resources Code § 21065; CEQA Guidelines § 15378(a)).

CVFPB Contact Person: Jennifer Stewart, (916) 574-1719

<u>ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:</u>		December 15, 2021
Signature	Leslie M. Gallagher, Executive Officer	Date

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

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