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**Notice of Exemption**

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Project Title: County Road 41 Washout Realignment (PW2022-02)

Applicant: Yolo County

Project Location: The project affects approximately 0.25 mile of County Road (CR) 41 in unincorporated Yolo County (affects APNs: 060-270-005, 060-270-001, and 018-260-018).

Project Description: The project involves realignment of approximately one-quarter mile of CR 41, north of the town of Rumsey, where an unmaintained portion of the CR 41 right-of-way has been undermined by erosion in Cache Creek. The road shoulder and several hundred feet of roadway were washed away in the 2019 storms and the right-of-way is impassible. As a result, landowners affected by the washout, along with the Capay Valley Fire Protection District, have been forced to use alternative routes for access. One property owner is restricted to access during the summer months when the bank is stable.

County Road 41 is identified as a critical evacuation route by the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services for area residents in case of wildfire. To resolve the issue, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors elected to purchase new right-of-way to replace a one-quarter mile section with a gravel road such that access to the affected property owners is restored and connection is provided for both remaining segments of CR 41 outside of the eroded area.

The new road alignment will be shifted east to allow for some likely ongoing erosion in the creek, which is supported by a geomorphology assessment completed in 2021 that showed additional erosion to the bank will likely occur. The portion of existing (washed out) right-of-way that is superseded will be vacated by the County.

Exempt Status: The project is statutorily exempt from further environmental review based on Section 15269(b) and (c) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15269 allows a Statutory Exemption for Emergency Projects. More specifically, Section 15269(b) provides for emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned serviced facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare. Emergency repairs include those that require a reasonable amount of planning to address an anticipated emergency. County Road 41 serves as an important emergency access route and the CR 41 Washout Realignment will restore the damaged access and is intended to prevent further washouts.

Section 15269(c) allows for specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency, but not including long-term projects undertaken for the purpose of preventing or mitigating a situation that has a low probability of occurrence in the short-term. The County Road 41 Washout Realignment will establish

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new right-of-way and construct approximately 0.25 mile of new road for a segment along Cache Creek that was washed out during the 2019 storms.

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