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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref: Lease 8162; A3689

Item: 76

Title: Issuance of a General Lease – Other – Lease 8162

Location: Sovereign land located in the San Joaquin River, from Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced River, including Mendota Pool, and the East Side and Mariposa bypasses, Fresno, Madera, Merced, and Stanislaus Counties.

Description: Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Other to the Applicant beginning November 25, 2022, for a term of 10 years, for removal of invasive weeds and restoration of natural riparian habitat.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, Inc.

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption:

CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a General Lease – Other for the above-mentioned activity will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

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