**Notice of Exemption** Appendix E **TO:** Office of Planning and Research FROM: Central Valley Flood Protection Board State Clearinghouse 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170 P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95821 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Project Title: Permit No. 19563: SMUD Utility Pole and Line Crossing Installation Project Applicant (if any): Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) Project Location/Address/City/County: The project is located on the left (east) bank of the Sacramento River near the intersection of Garden Highway and San Juan Road at 3197 Garden Highway in Sacramento, Sacramento County. Description of Nature. Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To install a 50-foot-tall power pole along the left (east) bank of the Sacramento River; To install a power line crossing over the levee crown, connecting to an existing power pole. Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board) Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: SMUD **Exempt Status:** ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));  $\square$  Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)); ☐ Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3)) ☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: § 15301; 15303 ☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number: Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The Board has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301) because the proposed activity consists of connecting a utility power line to an existing power pole. The project is also exempt under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15303) because the proposed activity consists of the installation of a public utility power pole. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.