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**Project Title:** Permit No. 17985-1: Carson Landscaping Project

**Project Applicant (if any):** Frank Mario Carson Jr.

**Project Location/Address/City/County:** The project is located approximately 0.4 miles south of the intersection of Garden Highway and Elkhorn Boulevard at 6057 Garden Highway, in Sacramento County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** To perform landscaping improvements that include planting Japanese Maple Trees, Citrus Trees and various shrubs and installing a drip irrigation system on the waterside of the left (east) bank levee of the Sacramento River. The proposed work also includes installing a 40-foot-tall flagpole at the rear of 6057 Garden Highway. This is also a "name change" permit which includes conditions that are consistent with current flood control standards and policies of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. This permit supplements and where in conflict supersedes the conditions in Permit No. 17985 that was issued to Demetrius Barmettler on February 22, 2006 to authorize existing landscaping.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board)

**Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project:** Frank Mario Carson, Jr.

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: § 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

Board staff has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section § 15304), because the activity consists of minor private alteration in landscaping which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 apply.

Board staff has determined that the portion of the application related to changing 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 the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code § 21065; CEQA Guidelines § 15378(a)).

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October 3, 2023

Signature

Executive Officer

Date

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**