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**FROM:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board  
 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170  
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**Project Title:** Permit No. 3739-1 - Pipeline Replacement Project

**Project Applicant (if any):** Bob Williams

**Project Location/Address/City/County:** The project is located approximately 1.4 miles North of the Durham Ferry Bridge, about 7.3 miles east of the town of Ripon, in San Joaquin County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** To remove an existing permitted 16-inch diameter irrigation pipe, cut-off walls, waterside risers and surface pumping system; To remove two unauthorized irrigation pipelines (one 16-inch diameter and one 12-inch diameter); To install one 2-inch diameter electrical conduit and a new 12-inch diameter steel irrigation pipe up-and-over the right (east) bank levee of the San Joaquin River from existing slant pump to existing landside filter system; and install a new 10-inch diameter irrigation pipe through the levee from existing platform to existing distribution box that will be capped for future use. This permit 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. This permit supplements and, where in conflict, supersedes the conditions in Permit No. 3739 issued to Mortensen & Barker on July 24, 1961.

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

**Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project:** Bob Williams

**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, 15303, 15301
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The Board has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement and Reconstruction categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15302), because the proposed activity involves the removal and replacement of existing pipelines and pump station with substantially the same purpose and capacity. 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 installing an electrical conduit and a new 12-inch diameter pipe to an existing filter system. The project is also exempt under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301) because the proposed activity consists of the removal of two unauthorized irrigation pipelines. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2.

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*ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:*

November 2, 2023

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

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