NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk, County of Contra Costa 555 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553

FROM: Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (Central San)

5019 Imhoff Place, Martinez, CA 94553 (925) 229-7255 **LEAD AND APPROVING AGENCY; PROJECT APPLICANT;**

PARTY UNDERTAKING PROJECT

PROJECT TITLE: 2023 Large Diameter Sewer Renovations, District Project 100007

PROJECT LOCATION-SPECIFIC: this phase of DP 100007 will install approximately 3300 LF of 8- inch main sewers to re- route flow from 5 points -of -connection on Main Trunk No. 1 to the A -Line Relief Interceptor in Marsh Drive and 3 points -of -connection to the 78- inch portion of the A -Line in Berry Drive and south of Center Avenue to the Golf Course. After the new sewer mains are in- service and the 84-inch portion of the A -Line has been relocated (as Main Trunk No. 1 is needed for bypassing during relocation prior to the interchange improvements), then approximately 6600 LF of the Main Trunk No. 1 can be abandoned -in -place while the stretch across Grayson Creek will be removed (as shown in Attachment 1).

PROJECT LOCATION-CITY AND COUNTY: Unincorporated Martinez, Contra Costa County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Main Trunk No. 1 is currently exposed across Grayson Creek due to erosion activities over the last 70 years, so the span across the creek is no longer structurally sound. Therefore, removal of this 39- inch pipe is environmentally beneficial since it reduces the possibility of a sewage event into waters of the State. Additionally, the routine desilting maintenance activities of the Flood Control District are limited with this pipe crossing, so removal provides a public benefit by, potentially, allowing improvements to the channel's capacity. As central Contra Costa County was developed, two additional interceptors, the A -Line (90-inch diameter) and A -Line Relief Interceptor (102-inch diameter), were constructed in the early 60s and 90s, respectively; therefore Main Trunk No. 1 is not needed for influent capacity since the two interceptors provide sufficient hydraulic capacity to accommodate peak dry weather flows (PDWF) and average wet weather flows AWWF), which been re-verified with the updated hydraulic model in 2023. During their construction, junction structures were installed to divert flow from Main Trunk No. 1 near, current -day, Target and Buchanan Golf Course, and which will be the upstream limit for abandonment of Main Trunk No. 1. However, Main Trunk No. 1 was not abandoned at that time since staff were aware of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority's interchange improvement project and anticipated needing Main Trunk No. 1 for bypassing when the 84-inch portion of the A -Line along Berry would have to be relocated. As the final phase of the interchange improvement project is imminent, preparations to abandon Main Trunk No. 1 may now proceed.

EXEMPT STATUS: CEQA Guidelines Section 15302

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: At its November, 2, 2023, meeting, the Central San Board of Directors independently found this project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Central San's CEQA Guidelines Section 15302, since it involves replacement of existing public facilities at the same location and with the same purpose.

NATURE: ______ DATE: November 9, 2023