



## Notice of Exemption

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*Submitted online*

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**Project Title:** Alamo Creek Bank Stabilization and Flood Management Pilot Project - Geotechnical Investigations

**Project Location – Specific:** Alamo Creek in Dublin, immediately downstream of the confluence of South San Ramon Creek (sometimes called Coyote Creek) and Alamo Creek. The nearest streets are Prince Drive to the northwest and Sierra Court to the southwest, and the nearest intersection is Amador Valley Boulevard and Stagecoach Road 1370 feet to the north.

**Project Location – County:** Alameda County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Activities consist of performing geotechnical investigation to support the future Alamo Creek Bank Stabilization and Flood Management Pilot Project. Borings are needed to identify and characterize the soils of the project area. Up to four borings are planned to be drilled across a cross-section of Alamo Creek, approximately 15- 20 feet deep, with two borings at the top of bank and two borings at the toe of the bank on each side of the creek. Work is expected to occur over a few days in January 2024. This work will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

**Name of Public Agency Approving and Carrying Out Project:** Zone 7 Water Agency

**Project Manager:** Jeff Tang, 925-454-5075

**Exempt Status:** *(check one)*

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption. CEQA Guidelines Section **15306. Information Collection**
- Statutory Exemptions

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under CEQA Guidelines as follows:

**15306. INFORMATION COLLECTION.** Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded.

None of the conditions noted under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines 15300.2 (as revised) will occur. Furthermore, this project will not result in potential for significant environmental impacts because:

- Work will be limited to the smallest footprint practicable.
- Work will have no or minimal construction-related nuisances to local residents, businesses, or recreational areas, such as disruptions to traffic and increased noise or dust, etc.
- No impacts to sensitive habitat or wildlife are expected.
- There is not a reasonable possibility that the project could result in a significant impact.

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