Notice of Exemption Appendix E

TO: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **FROM:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170 Sacramento, CA 95821

Project Title: Permit No. 18197-1 Milepost 92.12 Bridge Segment A Replacement Project

Project Applicant (if any): Union Pacific Railroad

**Project Location/Address/City/County**: The project is located at Milepost (MP) 92.12 on the Martinez Subdivision in the City of Sacramento, where the existing UPRR line spans the American River, approximately 0.25 miles downstream from the I-80 Business Loop bridge in Sacramento County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project**: To remove a 13-span, 196-foot-long timber stringer trestle dual-track bridge section (Segment A) of an existing 2,442-foot-long railroad bridge (Bridge 92.12) spanning the American River and replace with a 7-span, 201-foot-long precast concrete box girder bridge on driven steel pile piers with riprap at the abutment. To install sheet piles along the waterside of the levee to allow for phased construction.

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

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Union Pacific Railroad

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: <u>Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction</u>

## **Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for replacement of an existing railroad bridge that is related to the institution or increase of passenger or commuter service of rail lines already in use, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(10) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15275(a). In addition, the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15302), because the activity consists of replacement and reconstruction of an existing structure in the same location and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the replaced structure. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

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## 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.