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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title:

SMUD Easement Conveyance for Metro Air Park 69kV Project

Control Number:

PLER2024-00006

Project Location:

The project site is located 1600 feet east of the intersection of Metro Air Parkway and Meister Way, within the Metro Air Park Special Planning Area, in the Natomas community.

APN:

201-1020-067, 201-1020-072, 201-1020-073, & 201-1020-076

Description of Project:

The project is the conveyance of approximately 2.5 acres from Sacramento County owned property (Department of Water Resources) to SMUD, for a utility easement. The project consists of three easements on four contiguous parcels. These easements will allow for the future construction of overhead power lines which will connect to existing overhead at N Bayou and I-5 up to Powerline and Elkhorn via Meister Way and also connecting north to tie into existing facilities on Elverta.

Name of public agency approving project:

Sacramento County – ceqa@saccounty.gov

Person or agency carrying out project:

Department of Water Resources 827 7th Street Sacramento CA 95814 Michael Durkee (916) 874-8812 mailto:durkeem@saccounty.gov

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption (PRC Section 21084; CEQA Guidelines Sections 15300 -15333):

• CEQA Guidelines Section 15305 – Minor Alterations to Land Use Limitations

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 5 consists of minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope of less than 20%, which do not result in any changes in land use or density. The project consists of the conveyance of approximately 2.5 acres for a utility easement and is therefore exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

Section 15300.2-Exceptions

Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines, Exceptions, provides conditions under which categorical exemptions are inapplicable. Review of the Project indicates that it will not violate any of the exceptions, as described in the following section.

- 1. The project will occur in certain specified sensitive environments or locations:
 - A portion of the Project site is developed with a pump station and access roads. The Project site has not been designated as a biologically sensitive location.
- 2. Cumulative impacts will be considerable because successive projects of the same type will occur at the same place over time;
 - As it stands, the Project will not result in potentially significant impacts. Therefore, no cumulative impacts will result from the Project and successive projects of the same type and at the same place over time.
- 3. There is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances:
 - There are no known unusual circumstances that will have a significant effect on the environment.
- 4. The project may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources within a highway officially designated as a scenic highway;
 - The Project is not located in the vicinity of a highway officially designated as a scenic highway. Therefore, the project will not result in damage to scenic resources or similar resources within a highway that is officially designated as a scenic highway.
- 5. The project is located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; or
 - The Project site is not included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, the Project will not have an impact related to being located on a hazardous waste site.
- 6. The project may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historic resource.

The project site does not contain any historical resources.

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