

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
County Clerk  
County of: \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** (Public Agency): Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley, 11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670  
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(Address)

Project Title: 2024 Mokelumne River Surface Water Diversion Fish Screening Project

Project Applicant: East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)

**Project Location - Specific:**

All three of the screening projects are located along the north bank of the Mokelumne River near Acampo in San Joaquin County.

Project Location - City: Acampo Project Location - County: San Joaquin

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The Project will replace 3 unscreened water diversion structures with self-cleaning cone fish screens, which will directly benefit juvenile Chinook salmon and steelhead trout in the lower Mokelumne River through the enhancement of in-channel rearing habitat and by reducing entrainment losses.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)

**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. State type and section number: 15301, 15302, 15303
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The Project consists of the maintenance of an existing facility that does not expand the facility's former use (15301), the replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced (15302), and the installation of small new equipment (fish screens) in small structures (15303).

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: James Pearson Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (206) 263-6357

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature: Nicholas Savino Date: 06/05/2024 Title: Environmental Scientist

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_