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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**Project Title:**

Maryal Drive- El Camino Ave Storm Drain Improvement Project

**Control Number:**

PLER2024-00071

**Project Location:**

The project site is located along El Camino Ave (between Maryal Drive and Cathay Way) and along portions of Maryal Drive, Louisiana Street, Cathay Way and Cathay Court, in the Arden Arcade community of the unincorporated portion of Saramento County,

**APN:**

N/A.

**Description of Project:**

The existing drainage system in the project area is deficient and necessitates the proposed improvements: Installation of approximately 1,900 linear feet of drainage pipe, four (4) new storm drain manholes, and two (2) new storm drain inlets; and replacement of five (5) storm drain manholes, and seven (7) undersized existing drain inlets and undersized pipe laterals. The proposed improvements will alleviate localized flooding in the area. All work will be conducted within the existing public road right-of-way.

**Name of public agency approving project:**

Sacramento County – [ceqa@saccounty.gov](mailto:ceqa@saccounty.gov)

**Person or agency carrying out project:**

Sacramento County Department of Water Resources  
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**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption – 15282 (k)  
Categorical Exemption – 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction  
Categorical Exemption – 15303 New Construction

**Reasons why the project is exempt:**

The project includes installation and replacement of pipelines within the public road right-of-way, which is less than one mile long, as set forth in Section 21080.21 of the Public Resources Code. The project is intended to address current deficiencies in the storm water drainage system by replacing the existing undersized underground pipes and redirecting flows within the system to alleviate localized flooding. Further, the surface facilities, including new and replacement storm drain inlets and manholes, are proposed within the existing public right-of-way which is all existing paved surfaces. The project is within a built-out residential area and the increased capacity of the storm drainage system is to serve the

existing development and does not facilitate new development or increase the density of the neighborhood 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. *For Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11, will the project occur in certain specified sensitive environments or locations?*

The Project site is developed with low density residential and commercial development within urbanized communities. The project is not located in an environmentally sensitive location.

2. *Will cumulative impacts 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. No cumulative impacts will result from the Project and successive projects of the same type and at the same place over time.

3. *Is there 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. *Will the project 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?*

River Road/ Highway 160 (from the Sacramento City Limits at the northern edge of Freeport to the southern tip of the Delta at Antioch Bridge) is a designated State Scenic Highway. The Project is not located within the vicinity of this 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. *Is the project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code?*

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. *Will the project 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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