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Project Title: American River Watershed Common Features 2016 Project, Geotechnical Investigations

Project Applicant (if any): Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Project Location/Address/City/County: Geotechnical investigations will occur along the right bank of the American River from the north end of the Campus Commons Golf Course to approximately 500 feet southeast of the Guy West Bridge within the American River Parkway in Sacramento, California.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The geotechnical investigations will provide analytical data for soil that is anticipated to be excavated as part of the American River Watershed Common Features (ARCF) 2016 Project, American River Contract 2, which is being implemented by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Approximately 13 geotechnical boring locations will be sampled. Between four and six samples are anticipated to be collected at each sample location. Drilling will occur with a direct push drilling tool and/or a hand auger drilling tool. Wash water used to decontaminate equipment will be stored in 55-gallon drums or taken offsite for disposal. Soil cuttings from the borings are expected to be minimal and will be spread on-site. In the event that field observations indicate signs of contamination, soil cuttings will be placed in drums. After completion, each boring will be backfilled in accordance with Sacramento County Environmental Management Department permit requirements.

Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: United States Army Corps of Engineers

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: 15306 Information Collection; 15304 Minor Land Alterations
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Project consists of geotechnical investigations that will not result in a major disturbance to the environment. Woody vegetation will not be impacted. State and federally listed species will not be impacted. The Project will not impact water quality. Recreational paths will remain open. Sampling locations will be backfilled upon completion and sites will be restored to pre-project conditions. No mitigation will be required.

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- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

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