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Project Title: American River Common Features, Water Development Act of 2016 Project – Sacramento River East Levee Contract 4 (SREL C4 Project)

Project Applicant (if any): N/A

Project Location/Address/City/County: The geotechnical investigations will occur in various locations the east side of the Sacramento River, from the I Street Bridge to the southern end of the North Beach Lake Levee, both within the city and county of Sacramento, CA.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB), and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA), propose to conduct geotechnical investigations that would provide analytical data to understand geomorphic characteristics of the levee, blanket and aquifer, as well as provide information on soil characterization for potential presence of contamination. These findings would inform project design specifications for the SREL C4 Project. A previous NOE (filed 6/11/21) describing similar activities was limited to June to August of 2021, this NOE continues these geotechnical investigation efforts to inform project design for the SREL C4 Project.

Public Agency Approving Project: CVFPB

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: 15304 Minor Alteration of Land, 15306 Information Collection
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The proposes action is exempt as it includes only minor alterations of land, and data collected will be used to support the SREL C4 Projects' planning and engineering design (14 CCR§15304, 14 CCR§15306). The data collection will not result in any significant impacts to environmental resources.

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Date

- Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Responsible Agency

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