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**Project Title:** Permit No. 19782 - Natomas Levee Improvement Program (NLIP) / Landside Improvements Project Phase 4a: SMUD Electrical Poles and Overhead Cables Crossings at 460+00 to 482+00

**Project Applicant (if any):** SMUD

**Project Location/Address/City/County:** Located approximately 3,100 feet south from the intersection of Garden Highway and Interstate 5, in Sacramento County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** To authorize existing eleven (11) electrical poles, and nine (9) levee overhead cable crossings, between stations 460+00 and 482+00 (Stations Reference to NLIP). The electrical poles and the overhead cables existed before the construction of the NLIP. This work is associated with NLIP under Master Permit 18159-4 & 18159-7, authorized on May 3, 2010, and March 30, 2011.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board)

**Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project:** SMUD

**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: Section 15301 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301), because the activity consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use. No expansion of existing or former use will occur. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

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**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:**

**August 13, 2024**

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Responsible Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:**

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