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Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21108.

State Clearinghouse Number (SCH No.): 2009112025

Project Title: Minor Alteration No. WA2026121 – ARCF / Natomas PACR / Natomas Levee Improvement Program (NLIP), Phase 4b Landside Improvements Project: Overhead Utility and Pole Removal

Project Applicant: Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD); Shane Nelson, Manager Grid Assets; 6301 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95817; (916) 732-6620; GA.LocalAgency@smud.org

Lead Agency: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency; John Bassett, Director of Engineering; 1007 7th Street, 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814; (916) 874-7606; bassettj@saccounty.net

Project Location: The proposed project is located within the E Levee Road right-of-way (ROW), approximately 0.98 miles north of the West Elverta Road intersection, along the right bank of the Natomas East Main Drainage Canal, within Reclamation District No. 1000 at Levee Mile 8.77, in Sacramento County (38.728458° N, 121.489488° W).

Project Description: Approval of Minor Alteration No. WA2026121, under California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Article 3, Section 6, for work within an adopted plan of flood control: The project consists of the removal of existing SMUD overhead electrical facilities authorized under Board Permit No. 2395, issued September 20, 1956. The work includes removal of the existing overhead electrical conductors and topping of existing SMUD-owned utility poles, including power poles (PP) PP40, PP41, PP42, and pole 46. Following removal of the SMUD electrical facilities, the remaining pole sections and associated communication facilities will be removed by AT&T under Minor Alteration WA2026122. The utility modifications are necessary to accommodate construction of the Natomas Basin Civil Works Project Reach F levee improvements and associated utility relocations.

This is to advise that the Board, as the **Responsible Agency**, approved the above-described project on 10/6/2026 and made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [☐ will / ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment (This determination is limited to effects within the Board's authorization jurisdiction as a responsible agency).
2. [☒ An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / ☐ A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)] was prepared by the lead agency for the original project.
3. Additional mitigation measures [☐ were / ☒ were not] made a condition of the Board's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan [☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by the Board for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was / ☒ was not] adopted by the Board for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were / ☐ were not] made by the Board pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

Responsible Agency Statement: The EIR, prepared by the lead agency for the project, is available to the general public at the lead agency's office listed above. The Board's administrative record related to the Board authorization is available for public review at the Board's office.

Chris Lief 10/6/2026

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer Date

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21100-21174, Public Resources Code.