

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Permit No. 19477-2—Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project

Project Applicant: Department of Water Resources

Project Location: The Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvements Project is located within the legal Delta in the Lower Yolo Bypass, west of Liberty Island and northeast of Cache Slough, Solano County.

Project Description: To authorize the existence of nine abandoned pipelines as part of the Lookout Slough Project and incorporate an amended letter of permission from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This permit supplements Permit No. 19477-1 that was issued to the California Department of Water Resources on May 17, 2022 to approve a "name change" for the Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvements Project which includes 2.9 miles of a new setback levee along Duck Slough and Liberty Island Road, a levee breach and degrade on the Yolo Bypass levee, levee improvements along the Cache/Hass Slough levee, and restoration work for 3,164 acres of upland, tidal, and floodplain habitat.

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

Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Department of Water Resources

Lead Agency, Contact, Phone Number: Department of Water Resources, Dan Riordan, (916)802-4427

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sec. 15301 Existing Facilities

Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Board has determined that 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.

Chris Lief

5/29/2025

Signature

Chris Lief, Executive Officer

Date

Signed by Public Agency Signed by Responsible Agency

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.