

**Notice of Exemption****Appendix E**

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**Project Title:** Permit No. 13255-1— Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project

**Project Applicant:** Department of Water Resources

**Project Location:** The Project is located approximately 150 meters (500 feet) upstream of Sycamore Slough on the left bank of Haas Slough at mile post 7.43 on Moore Tract. Section 11, T5N, R2E, M.D.B.&M. (Reclamation District No. 2098) Haas Slough, Solano County.

**Project Description:** To authorize the existence of an abandoned pipeline as part of the Lookout Slough Project under Permit 19477 and to approve a "name change" and include conditions that are consistent with current flood control standards and policies of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. This permit supplements Permit 13255 that was issued to Bowsbey Ranch on October 13, 1981 to shorten walkway and 30-inch-diameter pipe extending into Haas Slough from 64 feet to 32 feet and to repair 30-inch gate attached to waterward end of pipe.

**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:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- 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. Additionally, the Board has determined that an application to change the name of the permittee does not have the potential to result in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and thus, is not a "project" for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21065; CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15378(a)).

Chris Lief

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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.