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Notice of Exemption **Appendix E**

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State Clearinghouse Number: 2024030235

Project Title: Minor Alteration No. WA2022012 – Manthey Road Bridge Replacement Project: Geotechnical Explorations

Project Applicant: City of Lathrop

Project Location: The proposed exploration locations are located 0.25 miles northwest of Interstate 5, within the San Joaquin River and also on top of the Unit 1 San Joaquin River left bank levee (Reclamation District 2062 - Stewart) and Unit 2, San Joaquin River right bank levee (Reclamation District 17 - Mossdale), in San Joaquin River (37.788732, -121.308839).

Project Description: To perform five (5) exploratory borings and two (2) cone penetration tests. Of the five exploratory borings, three will be 175 feet deep in the river channel and two will be 110 feet from the top of the levees. All five borings will be explored using the Mud Rotary drill rig. The three borings in the river channel will be backfilled with bentonite. The two land borings and two cone penetration tests (all on the levees) will be backfilled with cement-bentonite grout placed using a tremie.

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

Lead Agency/Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: City of Lathrop; Michael King, Assistant City Manager; 390 Towne Center Drive, Lathrop, CA 95330; 209-941-7430; mking@ci.lathrop.ca.us

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: Section 15306 Information Collection

☐ Statutory Exemption: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:
The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 6, Information Collection categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15306), because the activity consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Chris Lief 8/15/2025

Signature Chris Lief, Executive Officer Date

☒ Signed by Public Agency ☐ Signed by Responsible Agency

Date Received for filing at the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation:
Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.