

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

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Project Title: Permit No. 19989 – Ralph Avenue Sewer Trunk Line Rehabilitation, Phase II Project

Project Applicant: City of Stockton

Project Location: The project is located beneath Duck Creek at Pock Lane, in the southeastern portion of Stockton, California, San Joaquin County (37.92711°, -121.24408°).

Project Description: To authorize an existing 30-inch reinforced concrete trunk sewer crossing under Duck Creek as shown in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's project as-built drawings from "Duck Creek San Joaquin County Project Modification from French Camp Slough to 1/2 Mile Upstream from Escalon-Bellota Road" dated October 18, 1962 (File No. 7-4-1705). The pipe crosses approximately eight feet below the low elevation of Duck Creek.

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

Lead Agency, Contact, Phone Number: City of Stockton, Ray Deyto, Senior Civil Engineer, 22 E Weber Avenue, Ray.Deyto@stocktonca.gov, (209) 937-8869

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: Sec. 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemption: _____

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.

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.