

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

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Project Title: Permit No. 19903 - Ground Mounted 79.055kW Solar Array Butte Basin Project

Project Applicant: Christensen Keyawa LLC

Project Location: The project is located approximately 2,500 feet west of River Road and 7,000 feet north of Ord Ferry Road, at 39.64447°N 121.95500°W, Butte Basin, Butte County.

Project Description: To install a 79.055kW solar photovoltaic ground mounted solar array with 3-foot deep by 1-foot diameter pier footings to power an agricultural pump connected by an underground electrical trench located within the Butte Basin. A new solar AC disconnect will be installed on the existing main service line and panel. To authorize the existing utility service meter panel, pump control panel, and agricultural pump.

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

Lead Agency, Contact, Phone Number: Christensen Keyawa LLC

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. State type and section number: Sec. 15303 & 15304
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The project is also exempt from CEQA under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304), because the activity consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Chris Lief

5/23/2025

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.