

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Minor Alteration No. WA2024178 - Pump Station #2 Pipe Repair Project

Project Applicant: Reclamation District 784

Project Location: The project is located 2.5 feet below the levee crown, through the east bank levee of Feather River in Plumas Lake, California. The project is located at USACE Unit 149 LMA Unit 2B - levee mile 12.49 at the following GPS coordinates: 39°01'12.2"N 121°35'00.5"W. The pipe was permitted under Permit 18227.

Project Description: To remove and replace two existing drainage pipes originally authorized under Permit 11135. According to the submitted design plans, the proposed work includes removing two 36-inch drainage pipes and replacing from 20 feet on the landside levee slope to the existing positive closure device. This will entail excavation to expose the pipes that is 2.5 feet below finished grade. The backfilling of the area around and above the pipes shall meet Title 23 standards. The removed pipes will be disposed of offsite. All work will be done outside of flood season.

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

Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Reclamation District 784, 1594 Broadway Street, Arboga, CA, 95961, Patrick Meagher, 530-742-0502

Exempt Status:

- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sections 15302, 15304, and 15301
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: Section 15282(k)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board’s approval involves approving a minor alteration request for pipe replacement, which is exempt under CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15282(k) because the activity involves the installation of new pipeline or maintenance, repair, restoration, removal, or demolition of an existing pipeline as set forth in Section 21080.21 of the Public Resources Code, as long as the project does not exceed one mile in length.

The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, 15302), because the activity consists of replacement and reconstruction of an existing structure in the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the replaced 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. Finally, 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.

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Chris Lief

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.