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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: CA. Dept. of Water Resources
Calif. Dept. of Water Resources
Northern Region Office
2440 Main Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080

PROJECT TITLE: Dublin Creek Stage and Rain Gage- CalSIP Upgrade

SCH#: 2025080605

PROJECT SPONSOR: Zone 7 Water Agency

PROJECT SPONSOR CONTACT PERSON: Elke Rank

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PROJECT LOCATION: Dublin Creek at NW quadrant of Highway 580/680 interchange in Dublin, Alameda County; 37.70217, -121.92461

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

As part of the California Stream Gage Improvement Program, the California Department of Water Resources has executed a contract with Zone 7 Water Agency to install a telemetered precipitation and stage gage along Dublin Creek. Equipment installed will consist of two pressure transducer probes, tipping bucket, stage gages and staff plates, tagline/pulley system, solar panel, and enclosure box to house the electronics. Two galvanized pipes will be installed outside the channel to mount the enclosure box, solar panel, and tipping bucket. Galvanized pipe will be driven into the ground to support the staff plates and tagline/pulley system.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: California Departmentment of Water Resources

PUBLIC AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Brian Humphrey

EXEMPT STATUS: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- ☑ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number(s): 15306. Information Collection
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number(s):
- ☐ Other:

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The proposed telemetered precipitation and stage gage installation would allow for stage and precipitation data to be collected and telemetered as real-time data available to the agencies and public. Proposed activities qualify for categorical exemption 15306 (Information Collection). Proposed activities will not result in a significant impact to the environment and none of the exceptions described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply. Furthermore, only hand equipment will used to install the gage and appurtenances, no vegetation will be removed, work will be limited to the smallest footprint practicable, and there will be no changes to the streambed or bank.

Signature: Brian Humphrey Date: 10/16/2025

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