

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

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Project Title: PL23065106 – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Public Law 84-99 Emergency Repair of Grand Island Levee System Site 0651-06

Project Location: Site 0651-06 is located within the Reclamation District 03 – Grand Island – Unit 2, Sacramento River (RD 03 – Unit 2) levee segment along the Sacramento River near the town of Ryde, in Sacramento County.

Project Description: To repair the site to pre-flood conditions by excavating the waterside with a slope of 1H:1.5V and reconstruct to a 2H:1V slope with soil filled quarry stone fill above the summer mean water surface elevation (WSE) and quarry stone below WSE with coir fabric in between the two units.

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

Agency Carrying Out Project: USACE, Sacramento District; 1325 J Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814; Jonathan Yau, Readiness Branch Chief, 916-557-6903, jonathan.yau@usace.army.mil

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:
- ☐ Statutory Exemption: _____

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

A state of emergency was proclaimed on January 4, 2023 by Governor Newsom to address the storms that swept across California beginning in late February 2023. On March 8, 2023, the Governor issued an additional proclamation to include an additional 21 counties to the state of emergency. The project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 15269 (a), Emergency Projects, because the project involves repair work to flood damaged levees in disaster-stricken areas caused by the storm events in which the state of emergency was proclaimed.

Chris Lief

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Signature	Chris Lief, Executive Officer	Date
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☒ 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.