

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

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Project Title: PL23056103 – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Public Law 84-99 Emergency Repair of Sacramento River West Bank Levee System Site 0561-03

Project Location: Site 0561-03 is located on the left bank of the Colusa Basin Drainage Canal, on SRWB Levee Segment RD 108 – River Farms in Yolo County (start: 38.829660, -121.817310; end 38.829490, -121.816710) about 6 miles southwest of the Sacramento River.

Project Description: To restore the site to pre-flood conditions, the recommended repair work consists of excavating slumped material and reconstructing the levee slope reusing the existing or imported levee material. The site will be excavated to approximately 3 feet below the failure plane and will follow an approximate 2H:1V slope. The excavation will be benched, and new fill engineered levee fill material keyed-in to the existing slope to ensure a good bond. The final levee slope should match the pre-construction and adjacent slopes. No subsurface dewatering will be required to meet compaction requirements.

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 March 1, 2023 by Governor Newsom to address the storms that swept across California beginning in late February 2023. On April 20, 2023, the Governor issued an additional proclamation to include additional 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

- ☒ 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.