

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

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Project Title: PL23115113 – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Public Law 84-99 Emergency Repair of Reclamation District 0017, 2094, 2096, 2075, 2064 San Joaquin River East Levee System Site 1151-13

Project Location: Site 1151-13 is located about 4 miles south from Lathrop and 7 miles west from Ripon along levee segment RD 2064 – River Junction – Unit 2, Stanislaus River right bank (start: 37.687293891, -121.217540834; end: 37.686853259, -121.217918823), in San Joaquin County.

Project Description: To restore the site to pre-flood conditions, the recommended repair work consists of excavating the damaged levee at a 2H:1V and reconstructing the levee slope to its pre-flood geometry, reusing the existing or imported levee material. The site will be excavated to approximately 3 feet below the failure plane where slips have occurred. The new fill material will be keyed into the existing slope to ensure a good bond. The final levee slope should match the pre-construction and adjacent slopes.

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 March 12, 2023, the Governor issued a proclamation to include additional counties to the state of emergency, including San Joaquin County. 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

9/24/2025

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.