

AMERICAN RIVER FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2

**ADOPTING FINDINGS AND AUTHORIZING FILING OF A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
FOR THE PROGRAM OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires each public agency to consider the environmental impacts of all discretionary activities undertaken by that agency, and

WHEREAS, the annual program of routine maintenance of the District's flood control facilities falls within the scope of CEQA, and

WHEREAS, the flood control facilities of the District all lie within Sacramento County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of District, by the adoption of this Resolution, does hereby find as follows:

- The District's annual program of routine maintenance of existing flood control facilities for calendar year 2026 falls within the categorical exemptions to the CEQA.
- The proposed program of work for calendar year 2026 will not have a significant adverse effect upon the environment.
- The proposed program of work for calendar year 2026 does not constitute an exception to the exemptions of CEQA.

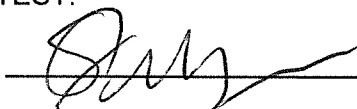
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager of the District is authorized to sign and directed to file with the Clerk of Sacramento County Notice of Exemption on behalf of the District as to the program of routine maintenance of the District for calendar year 2026, and

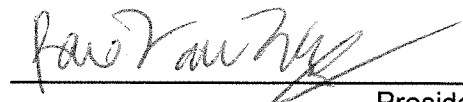
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager of the District is directed to post a true copy of the Notice of Exemption for not less than thirty (30) days in a conspicuous location at 185 Commerce Circle, Sacramento, CA, 95815, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager of District is directed to request the Clerk of Sacramento County to post in a conspicuous place for public review a true copy of the Notice of Exemption for not less than thirty (30) days; to certify to the District that the Notice was posted as requested and, after completion of the thirty (30) day period, return to the District with a notation of the period it was posted.

PASSED, APPROVED, and UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED this 16th day of January 2026

ATTEST:


Secretary


President

Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 212
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
☒ County Clerk
County of Sacramento
P.O. Box 839
Sacramento, CA 95812-0839

From: American River Flood Control District
185 Commerce Circle
Sacramento, CA 95815

Project Title: Routine Maintenance for the Calendar Year 2026

Project Location - Specific: American River North & South Levees, Arcade Creek North & South Levees, Robla South Levee, Dry Creek North Levee, Steelhead Creek East Levee, Sacramento River East Levee (.4 miles) Magpie Creek Diversion Channel

Project Location - City: Sacramento

Project Location - County: Sacramento

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The program of routine maintenance includes, but is not limited to, all mowing, vegetation pruning, fallen or hazardous tree removal, road grading, minor earthwork repairs and the placement of rock revetment on Sacramento area flood control levees, as well as any other similar activities that are needed to meet standards established by applicable law.. The north and south levees of the American River, Arcade Creek, Robla Creek, and Dry Creek and the east levees of Steelhead Creek and the Sacramento River are part of the federal Sacramento River Flood Control Project and have been turned over to the American River Flood Control District for operation and maintenance. These levees protect residents, property, infrastructure, government facilities, and habitat in the Sacramento metropolitan area. In addition, the District undertakes the operation and maintenance of other levees in the Sacramento metropolitan area under contract with the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency or other public agencies in the region.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: American River Flood Control District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: American River Flood Control District

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: Sec. 15301
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The activities to be conducted under the program of routine maintenance consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, and/or minor alteration of existing flood control levees, facilities and structures involving negligible or no expansion of currently established use. Existing facilities to be covered under this program consist of publicly-owned utilities used to provide flood protection to the Sacramento metropolitan area. Activities would include restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures and facilities to meet current standards of public health and safety.

Lead Agency

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 929-4006

Contact Person: Tim Kerr, General Manager

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Signature: 

Date: 1/16/2026

Title: General Manager

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

☐ Signed by Applicant