San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: SF Bay Regional Water Board
1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400
Oakland CA, 94612

Project Title: Westport Outfall Repairs Project (Project)
Project Location - Specific: (37.538211, -122.352451)
Project Location – City: Redwood City
Project Location - County: San Mateo County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project will rehabilitate two existing storm drain outfall pipes that discharge into Belmont Slough in Redwood City, San Mateo County. The two two 48-inch diameter HDPE culvert pipe outfalls are buried at an elevation of -4.0 feet and filled with mud. They will be replaced, shortened, and raised approximately 7 feet in an effort to avoid routine dredging and flushing to maintain flow capacity and reduce associated environmental impacts. The existing north and south outfalls are approximately 1,200 linear feet (lf) apart and extend through vegetated pickleweed tidal marsh and tidal mudflats. The Project sites are bordered by Belmont Slough to the north, and is adjacent to a flood protection levee that contains a public pathway as part of the San Francisco Bay Trail. Following construction, temporary sheet piles will be removed, excess bay mud will be disposed of offsite at an upland location, and all temporary impacts will be returned to pre-project conditions or better.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project as Lead Agency: SF Bay Regional Water Board
Name of Legally Responsible Persons or Agency Carrying Out Project: Brandon Stinespring

Exempt Status:
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080b(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080b(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080b(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption (State Type and Section Number): 15302 – Replacement or Reconstruction, Class 2.
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (State Code Number): _____

Reasons why the Project is exempt: The Project involves replacing culvert pipe outfalls that are buried and have become degraded. They will be replaced with pipes of a shorter length.

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