

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
Innovation, State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT NUMBER: C-06-8708-110

PROJECT TITLE: Arbuckle Public Utility District Wastewater System Upgrade (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located at 104 5th Street in Arbuckle, Colusa County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board is funding the Project referred to internally as Arbuckle Public Utility District Wastewater System Upgrade. The Project will evaluate root causes, analyze alternatives, and determine the best path forward for the design and construction of improvements to Arbuckle Public Utility District's Wastewater Treatment Plant to eliminate the ongoing violation issues related to spills and lack of freeboard.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved financing for the Project described above on February 18, 2026 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Arbuckle Public Utility District will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

STATUTORY EXEMPTION STATUS:

Feasibility and Planning Studies

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 18, section 15262)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemptions selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project scope involves planning and feasibility studies and/or data

collection, research, experimental management and resource evaluation activities, which will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts.

LEAD AGENCY: Arbuckle Public Utility District

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Gary Felkins

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

Signature: _____

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