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Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): Yuba County Water Agency

1220 F Street

Marysville, CA 95901

(Address)

County Clerk

County of: Yuba

915 8th Street, Suite 107

Marysville, CA 95901

Project Title: Colgate Powerhouse Penstock Failure Emergency Response

Project Applicant: Yuba County Water Agency (Yuba Water)

Project Location - Specific:

At and near New Colgate Powerhouse along Yuba River in Yuba County, California (Figure 1)

Project Location - City: Unincorporated

Project Location - County: Yuba

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of Yuba Water's previously completed, ongoing, and future efforts to mitigate and repair environmental and property damage caused by an emergency penstock rupture, and to prevent further damage. These efforts include: restoring safe access to the powerhouse and penstock; facility inspections and forensic investigations; identifying and containing hazardous materials and waste; hillslope, bank, and facility stabilization; debris and sediment removal from the facilities, land, and river; and repairing, replacing, or restoring damaged facilities to their pre-incident operations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Yuba County Water Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Yuba County Water Agency

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));

Secs. 15301 (existing facilities), 15302 (replacement/repairs), 15304 (minor alterations), 15306 (data collection), 15309 (inspections)

☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:

☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Secs. 21080.21; 15282(k) (replacement/repairs of pipelines less than one mile)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project includes activities to mitigate and repair environmental and property damage from the emergency penstock failure and prevent further damage. Debris removal and stabilization will prevent further erosion and/or discharges of materials into the Yuba River and further damage to the powerhouse from buildup of wet sediment and debris. Yuba Water will repair existing facilities that provide essential public services, including water deliveries and electricity generation. The work will not change or expand the facilities beyond their pre-failure location and operations. Work on land and in water will restore the area to its pre-failure state, where feasible, or at a minimum will stabilize the current conditions to prevent further damage.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jacob Vander Meulen

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-443-7412

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

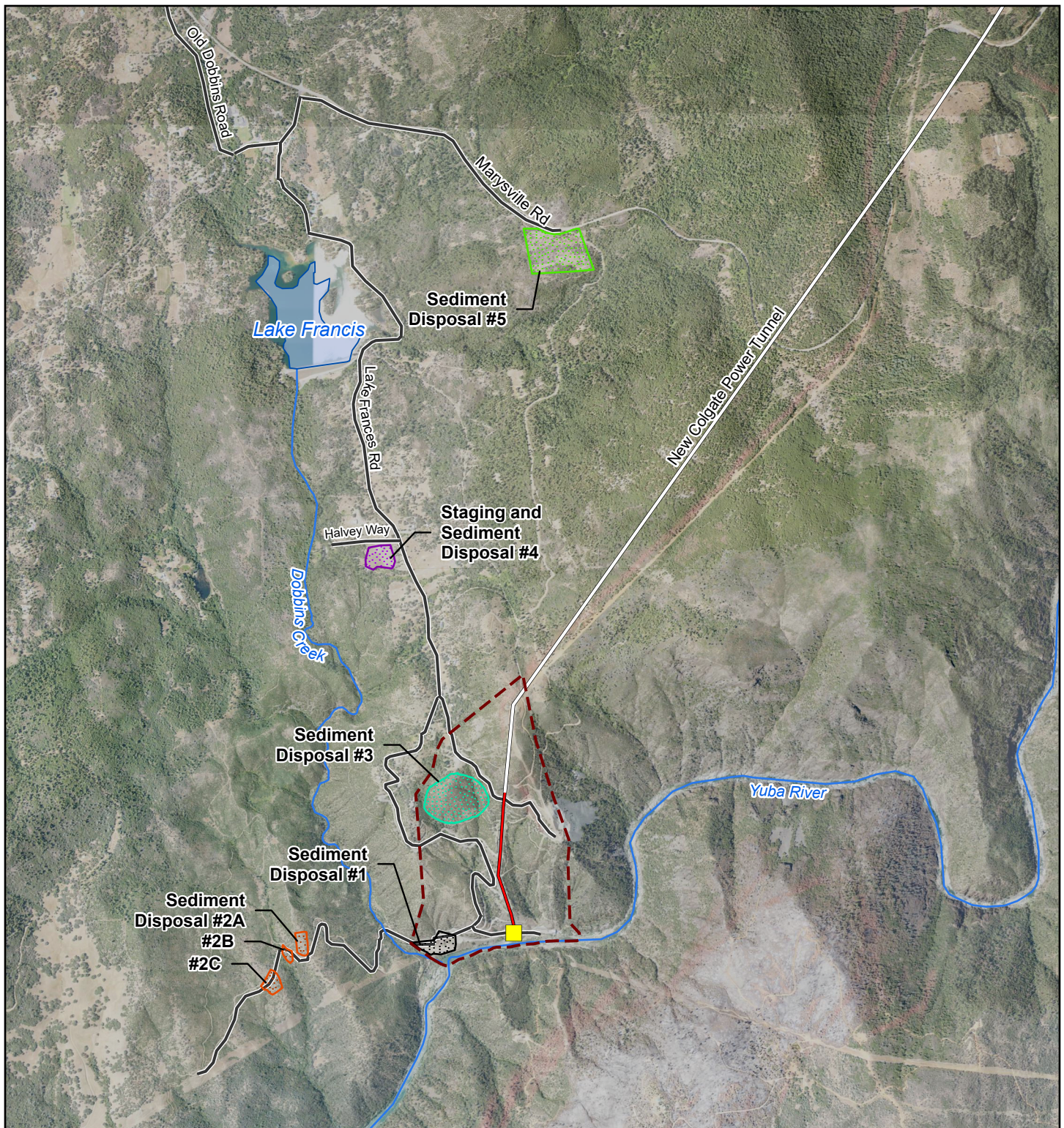
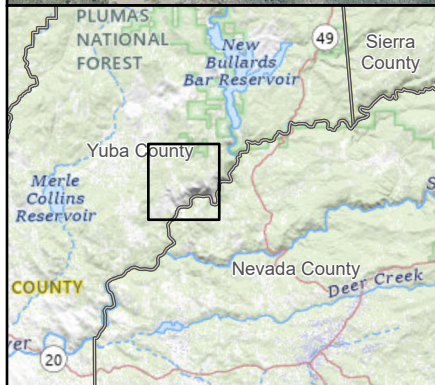
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ■ Yes ■ No

Signature: Jacob Vander Meulen Date: 03-31-2026 Title: Environmental Manager

■ Signed by Lead Agency ■ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____



- Colgate Penstock Rupture Area (262.5 ac)
- Sediment Disposal #1 (4.8 ac)
- Sediment Disposal #2 (5.4 ac)
- Sediment Disposal #3 (19.1 ac)
- Staging and Sediment Disposal #4 (4.7 ac)
- Sediment Disposal #5 (19.6 ac)
- Powerhouse
- Tunnel
- Penstock
- Haul Route

Miles 0 0.25 0.5 0.75



FIGURE 1

COLGATE POWERHOUSE PENSTOCK FAILURE EMERGENCY RESPONSE YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY

Data Sources: Facilities - YWA, Basemap - ESRI (NAIP, USGS)
Map information was compiled from the best available sources.
No warranty is made for its accuracy or completeness.
Projection is NAD 83 California State Plane Zone 2.

Map Prepared by: HDR | © 2026 Yuba Water Agency

**2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

58 - 03312026 - 11

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

03/31/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

YUBA

DOCUMENT NUMBER

2026FG-00011

PROJECT TITLE

COLGATE POWERHOUSE PENSTOCK FAILURE EMERGENCY RESPONSE

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY (YUBA WATER)

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

(530) 443-7412

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

1220 F STREET

CITY

MARYSVILLE

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

95901

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,227.50	\$	
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$3,043.75	\$	
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,437.25	\$	

☒ Exempt from fee☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	
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☒ County documentary handling fee		\$	\$50.00
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☐ Other 0.00		\$	
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PAYMENT METHOD:☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☒ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \$50.00

SIGNATURE

X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Nelida Williams, Deputy

Yuba County
 Donna Hillegass, County Clerk
 and Recorder
 915 8th Street, Suite 107
 Marysville, CA 95901
 (530) 749-7850

Receipt: 26-4190

Product Name	Extended
FG CLERK FISH AND	\$50.00
GAME FILINGS	
Document #	2026FG-00011
Filing Type	ADMIN FEE (NOTICE OF EXEMPT)
Comment	COUNTER

Total	\$50.00
Tender (Check)	\$50.00
Check# 513526	
Paid YUBA COUNTY WATER	
By AGENCY	

Thank You for Your Business

3/31/26 3:24 PM PST
 counterclerk1
 Workstation: Yuba-93CHM34

YUBA COUNTY WATER AGENCY

POWER SYSTEMS

513526

Vendor ID 00342	Vendor	County of Yuba, Clerk/Recorder	03/25/2026	Check # 513526
Invoice Number	Date	Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Discount Taken
PID46738-P	03/24/2026	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 0.00
				Write Off
				\$ 0.00
				Net Amount
				\$ 50.00

TOTALS:	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50.00
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