

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Sutter

1160 Civic Center Blvd., Suite A

Yuba City, CA 95993

From: (Public Agency): County of Sutter

Development Services Department

1130 Civic Center Blvd., Suite A, Yuba City, CA 95993

(Address)

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Project Title: El Centro Blvd Ditch Maintenance Project

JUL 15 2026

Project Applicant: Development Services Engineering Division

Project Location - Specific:

Parallel to El Centro Boulevard

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DONNA M. JOHNSTON
Clerk of the Board

By S. RATHER Deputy

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: Sutter

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project consists of improvements to an existing man-made drainage ditch located parallel to El Centro Boulevard. The drainage ditch currently functions as a stormwater conveyance facility and includes several existing culverts that facilitate the conveyance of stormwater through the drainage system. The proposed project would involve the maintenance and rehabilitation of the existing drainage facility to restore its hydraulic capacity and improve long-term functionality. Project activities would include the removal of accumulated sediment, debris, and vegetation; grading and re-sloping of the drainage ditch to restore the intended channel geometry and drainage conveyance; and the collection and off-site disposal of all removed vegetation and debris at an appropriate disposal facility. Existing culverts would remain in place and continue to function as part of the stormwater conveyance system.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sutter County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sutter County Development Services Department

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: Section 15301 [Existing Facilities]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

15301 [Existing Facilities], Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of an existing use. The existing use of the site as a drainage conveyance facility would remain unchanged, and no new land uses or additional site uses are proposed. The project would not result in a change in the character or function of the site; rather, it would improve the condition and performance of the existing drainage infrastructure.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Bryce V. Deabel

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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: [Signature] Date: 7/15/26 Title: Director of Development Services

▪ 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: _____

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