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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Water Resources
Division of Safety of Dams
2720 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 300
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Potter Valley Project Drilling (Van Arsdale Dam, Dam No. 97-102)
Project Title

Latitude 39.38590°N, Longitude 123.11620°W
Project Location

City of Ukiah — ***Project Location - City***
County of Mendocino — ***County***

Geotechnical exploration within the footprint of the dam under Division of Safety of Dams jurisdiction.
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project.

Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Dam Owner
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

Mr. Andrew Garcia
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
300 Lakeside Drive
Oakland, California 94612-3534
(530) 228-8990
License Coordinator
AQGL@pge.com
Project Applicant

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:** Class I, Section 15301, (m)

Minor repairs and alterations to existing dams and appurtenant structures under the supervision of the Department of Water Resources.
Reasons why project is exempt:

Zhuo "George" Hu — ***Contact Person***
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October 21, 2026
Date