## **Notice of Exemption**

TO: Office of Planning and Research State ClearinghouseP.O. Box 3044, Room 113Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **FROM:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170 Sacramento, CA 95821

**Project Title:** American River Watershed Common Features (ARCF) 2016 American River North Reach I, Magpie Creek Exploratory Surveys

**Project Location/Address/City/County**: The proposed borings and samples will occur along the right-facing side of Magpie Creek between Raley Boulevard and Vinci Avenue, located in the City of Sacramento, in Sacramento County.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project**: The proposed action will include soil borings using direct-push drilling and hand auger methods up to 12 feet below ground surface (bgs), as well as surface water and soil surface sampling 0-12 inches bgs. Approximately seven soil borings will be conducted to total depths up to 12 feet bgs, with two duplicate samples collected from adjacent depths. Surface water samples will be collected from the northern part of the site across from Vinci Avenue and the southern part of the site across from Raley Boulevard, and four composite surface soil samples will be collected from two stockpiles on site. Approximately six surface soil samples, with two duplicate samples each from adjacent borings will be collected from hand auger borings. Prior to investigation, the site will be marked for public and private utilities.

Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB)

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

## Exempt Status:

- □ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- □ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- □ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- □ Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: <u>15304 Minor Alteration of Land</u>, <u>15306 Information Collection</u>
- □ Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_

## **Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The proposed action is exempt as it includes only minor alterations of land, and data collected will be used to support ARCF 2016 – American River North Reach I, Magpie Creek Exploratory Surveys planning and engineering design (14 CCR § 15304, 14 CCR § 15306). The subsurface data collection will not result in any significant impacts to environmental resources. All holes will be backfilled and restored to pre-boring conditions.

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ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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Date

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Responsible Agency