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: Marysville Ring Levee Project

Project Applicant (if any):

Project Location/Address/City/County: The proposed borings will occur at locations surrounding the City of Marysville, in Yuba County.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed action will include exploration using sonic drilling methods with continuous sampling. Sixteen borings will be conducted and will be approximately 10 inches in diameter. Soil cores will be excavated to a depth of 150 feet. Excavated soil cores will be collected and removed from the site for testing. Upon completion of drilling, each boring will be grouted with cement-bentonite slurry.

Public Agency Approving Project: Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: United States Army Corps of Engineers

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>

15306 Information Collection

□ 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 Marysville Ring Levee Project 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 bore holes will be backfilled and restored to pre-boring conditions.

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