NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812 FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Financial Assistance 1001 I Street, 16th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2017108034

PROJECT NUMBER: 2000553-001P

PROJECT TITLE: Ripperdan Water System Improvement Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: Within Maintenance District 28 in the City of Ripperdan,

California 96367 in Madera County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is a Responsible Agency for the Project. The State Water Board's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program is financing the Project. The Project includes conducting information gathering that involves feasibility and pilot studies for a new test well, pipeline replacement, water storage, hydrants, and water meters.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved SRF financing for the Project described above on February 24, 2021 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The Madera County Public Works Department will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 6: Information Collection

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15306)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project is exempt because it involves basic data collection, research, experimental management and resource evaluation activities.

LEAD AGENCY: Madera County Public Works Department

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Robert Mansfield

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A record of financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

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