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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018068102

Project Title: Permit No. 19560: SR 120 TMC Upgrade

Project Applicant (if any): California Department of Transportation (CalTrans), District 10

Project Location/Address/City/County: The project is located where I-5 crosses the San Joaquin River, on the west side of the bridge crossing, in San Joaquin County.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To install a 2-inch-diameter fiber optic conduit and cable between existing Caltrans pull boxes on the landside, left (west) bank, slope of the San Joaquin River. To install a fiber optic cable across the bridge through existing conduits embedded in the bridge barrier.

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

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: CalTrans, District 10

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));

 \Box Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3))

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: <u>§§ 15301 Existing Facilities, 1503 New Construction</u> or Conversion of Small Structures

Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

CVFPB staff has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption; and Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of small electrical new equipment (fiber optic cable) between existing Caltrans pull boxes and to install fiber optic cable across the bridge through existing conduits embedded into the bridge barrier. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 apply.

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ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:			January 19, 2022
Signature	Leslie M. Galla	agher, Executive Officer	Date
⊠ Signed by Lead Agency		\Box Signed by Responsible Agency	Date Received for filing at OPR:

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.