

Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 212
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
☒ County Clerk
County of Sutter
1160 Civic Center Blvd Suite A
Yuba City, CA 95993

From:
Reclamation District 1500
PO Box 96
Robbins CA 95676

Project Title: Routine Maintenance for the Calendar Year 2019

Project Location - Specific: Sacramento River Levees Unit 1 and Sutter Bypass levees Unit 2, As well as Drains and Pumping Facilities

Project Location - City: Robbins-Sutter Basin Project Location - County: Sutter

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The program of routine maintenance includes, but is not limited to, all mowing, burning, vegetation pruning, fallen or hazardous tree removal, road grading, minor earthwork repairs and the placement of rock revetment on Reclamation District 1500's flood control levees, as well as any other similar activities that are needed to meet standards established by applicable law. Unit 1 The Sacramento River levee and unit 2 the Sutter Bypass levees are part of the federal Sacramento River Flood Control Project and have been turned over to Reclamation District 1500 for operation and maintenance. These levees protect residents, property, infrastructure, Crop Storage facilities, and habitat in the Sutter Basin area. In addition, the District undertakes the operation and maintenance of Drains and pumping plants in the Sutter Basin area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Reclamation District 1500

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Reclamation District 1500

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: Sec. 15301
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The activities to be conducted under the program of routine maintenance consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, and/or minor alteration of existing flood control levees, facilities and structures involving negligible or no expansion of currently established use. Existing facilities to be covered under this program consist of publicly-owned utilities used to provide flood protection to the Sutter Basin area. Activities would include restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures and facilities to meet current standards of public health and safety.

Lead Agency: _____
 Contact Person: Brad Mattson, General Manager

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 624 5650

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Signature: _____

Date: 4-30-19

Title: General Manager

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

☐ Signed by Applicant

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-3 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1500**

Upon motion duly made, and unanimously passed, it was:

RESOLVED, that the work described in the Reclamation District 1500's 2019 Flood Maintenance Program consists of routine levee maintenance to existing levee facilities and falls within the categorical exemptions to the California Environmental Quality Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Reclamation District 1500 performs routine maintenance on its existing infrastructure and facilities associated with the District's operations and responsibilities. These routine maintenances of facilities fall within the categorical exemptions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all repair of flood system and erosion protection, all levee crown restoration, all Levee section restoration including adding material to back slopes, construction of toe berms and construction of seepage berms, drains and other measures to control seepage falls within the categorical exemptions to the California Environmental Quality Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER that all the work described above falls within the categorical exemptions to the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301 (Class I) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act, California Administrative Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 19.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the District finds the proposed work will not have a significant effect upon the environment.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said work does not constitute an exception to the exemptions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Brad Mattson General Manager, is hereby directed to prepare and file with the County Clerk of Sutter County for posting, a "Notice of Exemption" pursuant to California Administrative Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15062.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District No. 1500 on the 30th day of April 2019.

AYES: *Hopping, Burroughs, Van Buren, Richter, Driver, Alonso.*

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: *Butler*


Mark Richter, Chairman

CERTIFICATION

I, Brad Mattson, General Manager/Secretary for Reclamation District No. 1500 (District) do

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hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the resolution which the Board of Trustees of the District unanimously adopted on April 30th , 2019.

Executed on April 30th, 2019 in Robbins, California.

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