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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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File Ref: PRC 5438.1-C; A2057
Item: 36

Title: CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR REMOVAL AND ABANDONMENT-IN-PLACE OF DECOMMISSIONED NATURAL GAS PIPELINE – PRC 5438.1-C; A2057

Location: Sovereign land in the Stanislaus River, near Ripon, San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties.

Description: Approve the removal of a portion of and abandonment-in-place of a portion of a cement slurry-filled steel 12-inch-diameter retired natural gas transmission pipeline (number 1615-01) beneath the Stanislaus River.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E)

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemptions:

CLASS 1, EXISTING FACILITIES (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (a)(2))

CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (d)(3))

Reasons for exemption:

Approval to remove and abandon-in-place portions of the above-mentioned structure(s) will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

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