

Notice of Exemption

To: ☐ Office of Planning and Research From: (Public Agency) City of Folsom

1400 Tenth Street, Room 121

Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ County Clerk
County of Sacramento

Project Title: Contract Between the United States and City of Folsom Providing for Project Water Service and Facilities Repayment

Project Location – Specific: 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630 and service area served by the City's Environmental and Water Resources (EWR) Department (See attached map).

Project Location – City: Folsom **Project Location – County:** Sacramento

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

In December 2016, Congress passed the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, which authorized the conversion current water service contracts into repayment contracts and the prepayment of associated capital costs of construction, at a discounted rate. The project will benefit the City's ratepayers by eliminating the costs that would otherwise be incurred in renewing the City's Long-Term Water Service Contract, and by allowing the City to take advantage of a discount that the WIIN Act authorized for converting contractors, which will reduce the amount charged to the City for its share of the capital costs of constructing the Central Valley Project. The substantive terms of the Repayment Contract are the same as they were in the existing Water Service Contract because the WIIN Act directed Reclamation to convert the contracts without changing the substantive terms.

Name of Public agency Approving Project: City of Folsom

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Marcus Yasutake

Exempt Status: (check one) Pub. Res. Code § 21065, CEQA Guidelines § 15060(c), § 15061(b)(3)

- ☐ 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. (Replacement/Reconstruction; Sec. 15302 (c))
- ☒ Statutory Exemption.

Reasons why project is exempt: Organizational and financial activities do not constitute a project subject to CEQA review absent evidence the activities will trigger a change in the existing physical environment. Furthermore, where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. (CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3)). The proposed execution of the Repayment Contract for water service with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation meets the above

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criteria and is not subject to CEQA. The proposed action is the conversion of contracts from long-term water service contracts to permanent contracts. No changes in the operations of the project or the delivery of water will be triggered by the proposed action. This is merely a legal and financial transaction that will not cause any physical impact on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Marcus Yasutake

Area Code/telephone/Extension: (916) 461-6161

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: 3/2/2020 Title: EWR Director

(Marcus Yasutake, PE)

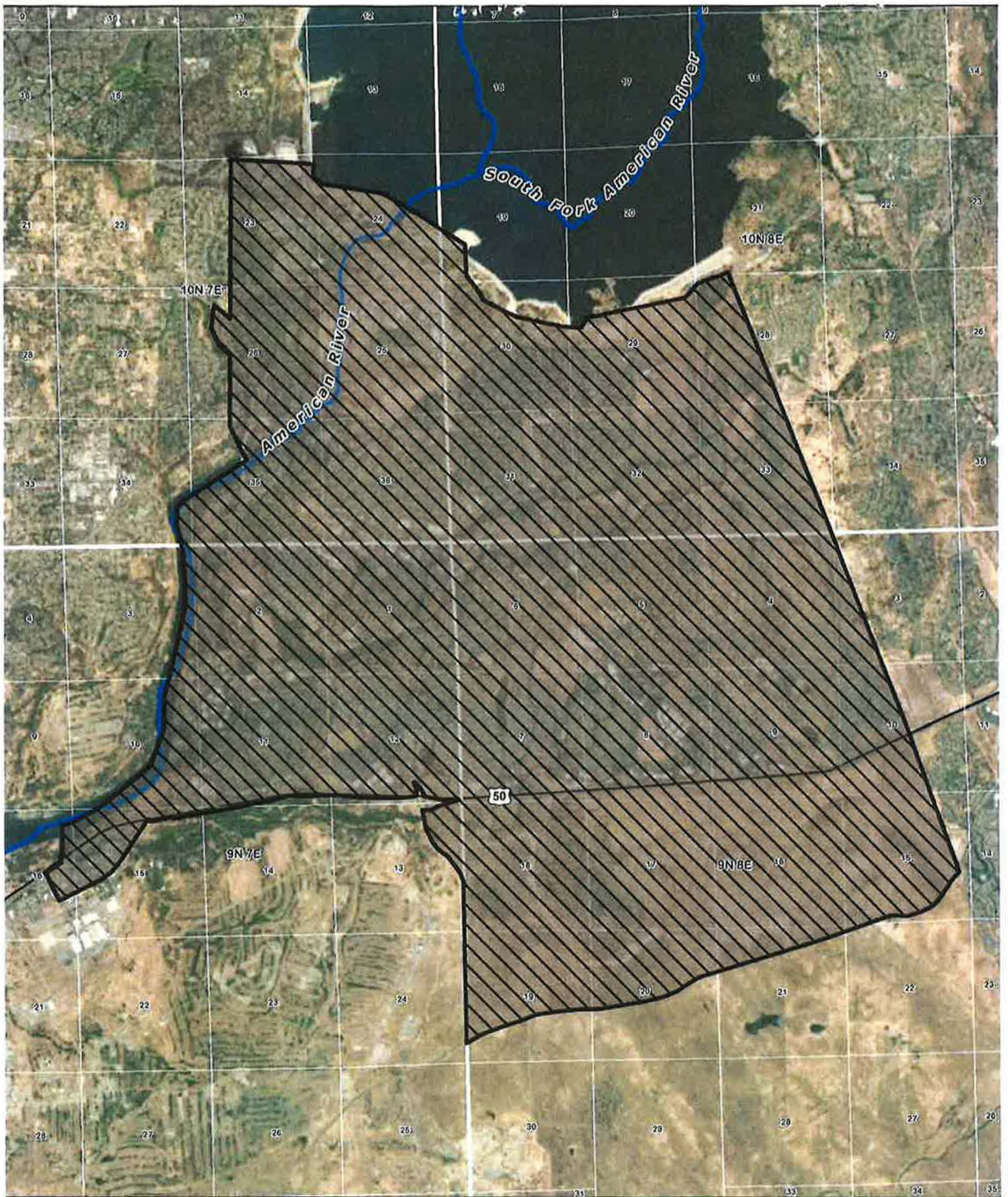
☒ Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR:



☐ Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE



-  District Boundary
-  Contractor's Service Area

City of Folsom

Contract No. 6-07-20-
W1372B-P EXHIBIT B

0 0.5 1 Miles

RECLAMATION
Managing Water in the West



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