Notice of Exemption Appendix E

TO: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **FROM:** Central Valley Flood Protection Board 3310 El Camino Avenue, Suite 170 Sacramento, CA 95821

Project Title: Permit No. 19598: Authorize and Rehabilitate the Existing Adobe Peacock House

Project Applicant (if any): County of Kern

Project Location/Address/City/County: The project is located on the left (west) bank of the Kern River, just east of the intersection of Bison Drive and River Road, within Hart Memorial Park, northeast of the City of Bakersfield, in Kern County.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To authorize and rehabilitate the existing Adobe Peacock House for reuse as a visitor center as part of the Hart Park Peacock House Blight and Historic Rehabilitation Project. The proposed improvements include interior and exterior rehabilitation of Peacock House, installing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant sloped concrete walkway and parking stall at the entrance, installing concrete stairs and landscaping around the building. Three (3) existing power poles with guy wires and underground utilities will also be authorized under this permit.

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

Public Agency/Person Carrying Out Project: County of Kern

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));
□ Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Sec 15061(b)(3))
☑ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: §§ 15301 and 15331
□ Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

Board staff has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 31, Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines § 15331), because the activity consists of the stabilization, restoration, and rehabilitation of a historic structure in a manner consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historical Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings. The project is also exempt under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines § 15301), because the activity involves the permitting of the following existing encroachments: the Adobe Peacock House, three existing power poles with guy wires, and underground utilities.

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ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:			September 24, 2021	
Signature	Leslie M. Gallagher, Executive Officer		Date	
☐ Signed by Lead Agency		⊠ Signed by Responsible Age	ency 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.