



# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  
**San Joaquin County**  
**Clerk-Recorder's Office**  
**44 N San Joaquin St #260**  
**Stockton, CA 95202**

**FROM: (LEAD AGENCY)**  
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT  
Office of the Secretary - (510) 287-0404  
375 Eleventh Street, MS 806  
Oakland, CA 94607-4240  
☒ Lead Agency is the Project Applicant  
☒ Lead Agency is Public Agency Approving Project  
☒ Lead Agency is Carrying Out Project

## PROJECT INFORMATION

1. TITLE: Camanche Spillway Maintenance and Inspection Project
2. LOCATION: (City, County, and specific location)  
Clements, San Joaquin County, on District property adjacent to Camanche Reservoir. See Fig 1.
3. DESCRIPTION: The District is working with the State Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) to perform maintenance and a condition assessment of the existing concrete lined Camanche Spillway. The District plans to clean out and inspect underdrains, core through spillway to inspect the subgrade, clean out joints, and perform concrete repair work. This work will require the construction of a temporary gravel ramp at the toe of the spillway to allow maintenance vehicles to drive up on the spillway. See Attachment A.

## EXEMPTION FINDING (Check one)



This project is exempt from CEQA because:

1. ☐ Activity is not a project
2. ☐ Activity is Ministerial (Sec.21080(b)(1); Guideline 15268)
3. ☐ Activity is a Declared Emergency (Sec.21080(b)(3); Guideline 15269(a))
4. ☐ Activity is an Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); Guideline 15269(b)(c))
5. ☒ Activity is Categorically Exempt Under Guideline 15301
6. ☐ Activity is Statutorily Exempt Under Guideline \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☒ Reasons why project is exempt: Project is exempt under 15301 as it entails the maintenance and minor alteration at an existing public water supply facility, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The Project will have no significant environmental effects relative to location, cumulative impact, or significant effects due to unusual circumstances, hazardous waste, or historical resources, pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines.

## APPROVAL BY INITIATING UNIT: Geotechnical Engineering - 562

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|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 03/24/21                                     | B. Tom Boardman          | Sean M. Todaro                      |
| 1. DATE PREPARED                             | 2. PREPARED BY (initial) | 3. REVIEWED BY (Unit Supv. initial) |
| Elizabeth Z. Bialek                          |                          |                                     |
| 4. RECOMMENDED BY (Division/Section Manager) |                          |                                     |
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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION APPROVED FOR FILING WITH THE COUNTY CLERK

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| 03/26/21                       |   |
| DATE                           | DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR  |
| 03/30/21                       |  |
| DATE FORWARDED TO COUNTY CLERK | SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT  |

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILTIY DISTRICT**  
**CAMANCHE SPILLWAY MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION PROJECT**

**Overview and Background**

The District operates the Camanche Dam and Spillway to store raw water and manage storm water runoff flows in the Mokelumne River watershed above the Camanche Reservoir.

**Project Purpose and Objectives**

The District is working with the State Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) to perform a condition assessment and maintenance of the existing concrete lined Camanche Spillway.

**Project Location**

The Project is located in Clements, CA on EBMUD-owned land adjacent to Camanche Reservoir in San Joaquin County (Figure 1).

**Project Characteristics**

The Project will include the following activities on the existing concrete lined spillway:

1. Build a 5-ft high, 16-ft wide, 40-ft long temporary gravel access ramp at the toe of the spillway to allow maintenance vehicles to drive up on the spillway;
2. Clean out 58 underdrain riser pipes with a hydrojetter. The underdrains are filled up with tree leaves and aeolian deposits that blow up the spillway and get lodged in the underdrain risers;
3. Remove vegetation from concrete panel joints;
4. Core 3-inch diameter holes through the 12-inch thick concrete spillway;
5. Take geotechnical samples of the rock subgrade below the spillway; and
6. Perform minor concrete repairs in locations of spillway coring and existing spalling on the spillway and side walls.

## **Permits and Approvals**

All work will be on EBMUD property. A Lake and Streambed Alteration Permit will be obtained from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife prior to starting the Project. The DSOD will provide approval of the District application to perform the work. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) will provide approval of the District work plan.

## **Schedule and Work Hours**

Work is anticipated to take place from either May to October 2021, or March to October 2022 depending on staff availability. Work activities will be limited to daytime hours (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) and weekdays (Monday to Friday) to the extent feasible.

## **Operational and Public Impacts**

The project will take place during times when the Camanche Reservoir is not expected to spill and will not impact District operations. All work will take place on District property in areas away from public access, so there will be no public impacts.

## **EBMUD Practices and Procedures**

Standard environmental and safety practices applicable to all EBMUD maintenance and geotechnical investigation projects will be incorporated into the Project.

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Figure 1: Site Vicinity Map

Figure 2: Project Site Plan

# CAMANCHE MAIN DAM SITE VICINITY MAP CONTRACTOR MEETING:

25800 NORTH MCINTIRE RD., CLEMENTS, CA 95227

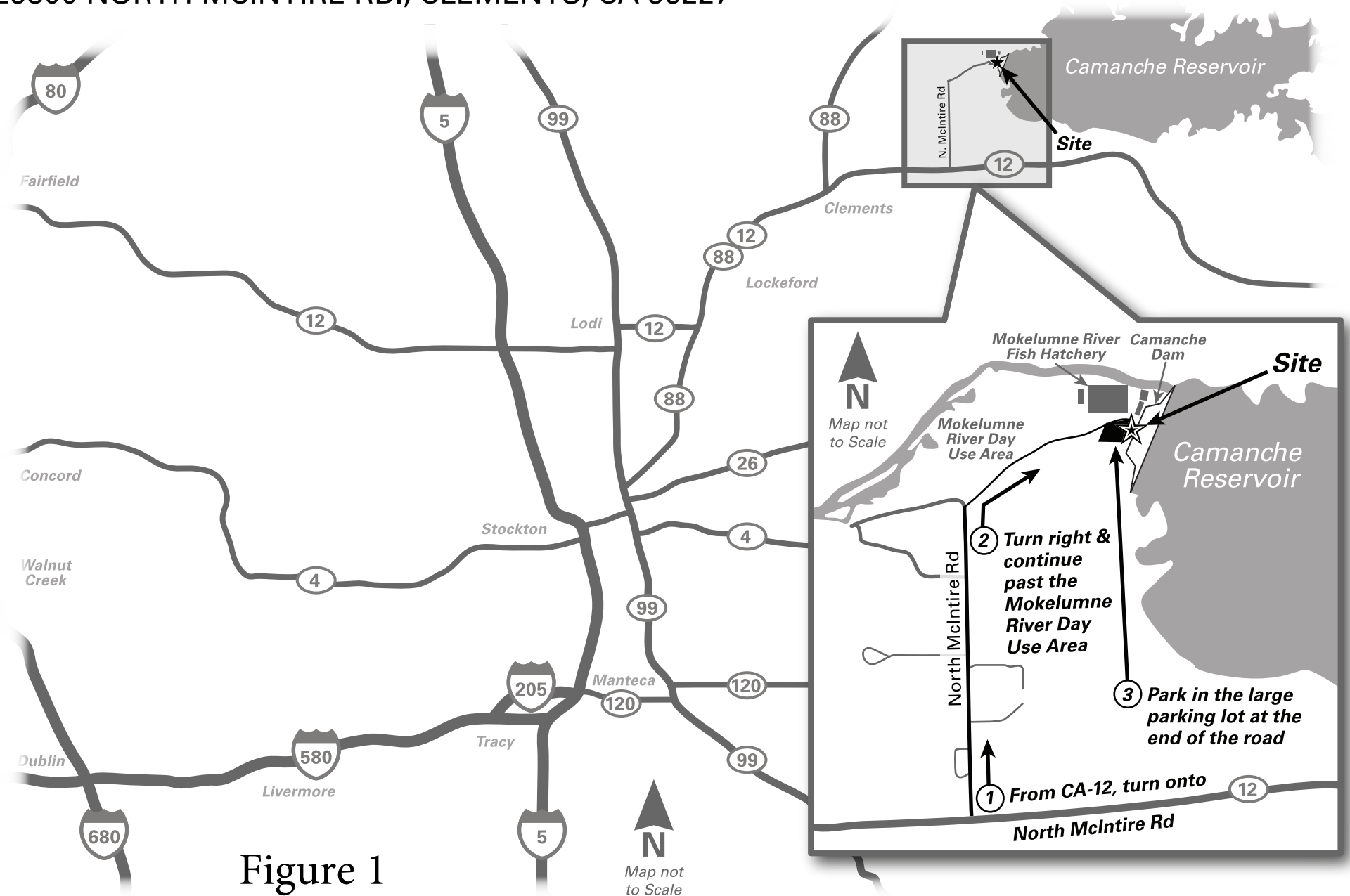


Figure 1





Source: Google Earth (08-16-2018)



Figure 2



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**OVERALL VIEW OF SPILLWAY AND  
DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL**  
CAMANCHE SPILLWAY CONDITION ASSESSMENT

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