Notice of Exemption

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Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Eight Mile Dam Replacement (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SJN-23440-R2)

Project Location: The project is project is located at Calaveras River, in the County of San Juaquin, State of California; Latitude 38.061253, Longitude -121.161919.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number SJN-23440-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Stockton East Water District as represented by Scot Moody.

The project is limited to the removal and replacement of the flashboard dam structure on Calaveras River, near Eight Mile Road. The existing concrete foundation will be dismantled and hauled off-site. A new, 57-foot-long and 5-foot-wide concrete foundation will be poured in the same footprint. The new structure will span approximately 80-feet-long and 5-feet-wide. Upright W6X20 I-beams will support the structure.

A Rubicon Flumegate will be installed and affixed to the I-beams. Aluminum plates will be bolted along each side and sealed with Zika Flex to prevent water leakage. Pressure treated boards will be cut to size and used as flashboards. Existing roads will be used for all site access. The staging area will be at least 150-feet away from the channel. Approximately 80-square-feet of clear, rock, riprap will be placed on either side of the bank to armor the wingwalls, spanning from approximately 6-feet downstream to approximately 4-feet upstream.

Up to 450-square-feet of temporary impacts to grasses or unvegetated soil may occur over the course of construction. All disturbed soils will be contoured to pre-project conditions seeded with a native seed mix.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: <u>Stockton East Water District as represented by</u> <u>Scot Moody</u>

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (2 & 4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15302 & 15304)

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Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt under section 15302 because it involves the replacement of an existing structure where the new stricture will be located on the same as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. The project is exempt under section 15304 because it consists of minor alterations to land that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees.

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