

## Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Tehama

633 Washington Street, #12

Red Bluff, CA 96080

From: (Public Agency): Resource Conservation District of Tehama County  
202 Walnut Street

Red Bluff, CA 96080

(Address)

Project Title: Geotechnical Investigations for Battle Creek Confluence Side Channel Project

Project Applicant: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County

Project Location - Specific:

East bank of Sacramento River. 7 miles southeast of Cottonwood, T29N, R03E, S22,23,27 (lat. 40.346862, long. -122 181138)

Project Location - City: Cottonwood

Project Location - County: Tehama

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

In preparation for the proposed Battle Creek Confluence Side Channel Project, a total of 3 geo-technical excavation sites are being proposed within an adjacent flood channel to evaluate the composition of soils within the proposed side channel excavation area. A long-reach excavator and hand crew would excavate a soil trench at each of the 3 sites approximately 25' in length and 12-17' in depth or until the water table is reached. The excavated material would be temporarily stockpiled adjacent to the excavation sites for analysis. Following evaluation, the excavated material would be backfilled into its appropriate soil horizons within the trench. Vegetation would be pruned and removed along the access routes and within and immediately adjacent to the proposed excavation sites.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ 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. State type and section number: 15304, 15306
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Proposed geotechnical investigations qualify for categorical exemptions 15304 (minor alterations of land) and 15306 (information collection). The work consists of collecting soil data information resulting in temporary minor ground disturbance. These activities will not result in any significant disturbance to environmental resources.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jon Barrett

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-727-1293

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: [Signature] Date: 7/11/25 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

■ Signed by Lead Agency ■ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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