

Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Executive Officer Delegation Report

Posting Date: May 10th, 2024

Number of Applications Scheduled: 12

Application Number: 19863 (Posted 5/31/24)

Applicant: California Department of Technology

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 162, Postmile 67.74, at approximately 39.52419°N, 122.17319°W, crossing Willow Creek a Board Regulated Stream and within Colusa Drain Board Designated Floodway, Caltrans Bridge (#11-0010), Glenn County.

County: Glenn

Stream: Willow Creek

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter high-density polyethylene conduit, housing fiber optic cables, by horizontal directional drilling when approaching and departing the bridge, and one (1) 2-inch diameter, Type 1 (steel) conduit will be used when attaching it to the bridge. The conduit will be crossing the Willow Creek Bridge (#11-0010), located on State Route 162, at Postmile 67.74, in Glenn County.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure including conduit, fiber optic cable, vaults, maintenance vehicle pullouts, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51. In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19855 (Posted 5/16/24)

Applicant: Tuolumne River Trust

Location Description: at the crossing of La Grange Rd and Tuolumne River, approximately 0.6 mi northwest from the town of La Grange, CA.

County: Stanislaus

Stream: Tuolumne River

Project Description: to create 65.5 acres of restored habitat, restore 8-9 spawning riffles downstream of the Old La Grange Bridge, fill in two former dredger pools, construct alternating riffles, bars, and pools, a boat launch, and riparian vegetation planting.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the restoration and creation of in-channel, riparian, and floodplain habitat under the Basso-La Grange Reach Floodplain and Spawning Habitat Restoration Project, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.56, subdivisions (a) to (d) and received concurrence from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife pursuant to CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.56(e).

Application Number: 19856 (Posted 5/16/24)

Applicant: Turlock Irrigation District

Location Description: southeast of the intersection of N Old La Grange Rd and Indian Hill Rd, approximately 0.14 miles north of the town of La Grange, Ca.

County: Sacramento

Stream: Tuolumne River

Project Description: To create 8.4 acres of instream habitat enhancement, restoring in-channel, riparian, and floodplain habitat primarily for salmonid spawning by filling parts of the existing river channel with gravels to replenish gravel that has moved downstream, creating pool-riffle sequences in the mainstem Tuolumne River, and adding boulders to the downstream riffles and pools. An existing culvert will also be replaced and the existing road that extends upstream of Old La Grange Bridge will be improved. The Project also includes temporary access roads that will be removed.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the restoration and creation of in-channel, riparian, and floodplain habitat under the Tuolumne River Mainstem Channel Restoration Upstream of Old La Grange Bridge Project, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.56, subdivisions (a) to (d) and received concurrence from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife pursuant to CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.56(e).

Application Number: 19386-1

Applicant: Union Pacific Railroad

Location Description: The project is located at Milepost 55.71 on the Fresno Subdivision near the city of Sacramento in Sacramento County, and spans the Cosumnes River and parallels State Route (SR) 99, approximately 0.15 mile south of the intersection of East Eschinger Road and West Stockton Boulevard and approximately 1 mile north of the Dillard Road exit off SR 99.

County: Sacramento

Stream: Cosumnes River

Project Description: To replace Segment A of the existing five-span, 150-foot-long railroad bridge with PCB girders at Milepost (MP) 55.71 on the Fresno Subdivision. The proposed project includes dismantling of the existing bridge section. Caps and girders for the replacement bridge will then be installed on the existing pile bent structures, and the track will be replaced and returned to service. The construction will be completed off-track and adjacent to the existing bridge structure with the use of a crane positioned west of Bridge 55.71 Segment A. No permanent or temporary impact on waters of the United States will occur.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for replacement of an existing railroad bridge that is related to the institution or increase of passenger or commuter service of rail lines already in use, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(10) and CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15275(a).

In addition, the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, 15302), because the activity consists of replacement and reconstruction of an existing structure in the same location and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the replaced structure. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19799

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 168 at 36.897428, -119.523555, crossing Bridge #42-143 at Dog Creek, in the city of Clovis, Fresno County.

County: Fresno

Stream: Dog Creek

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiber optic cables crossing Dog Creek Bridge (Br# 42-143, authorized under Board Permit No. 13093 GM). The FOC is proposed to be installed by trenching 2 feet to 6 feet deep (4.2 feet typical depth) on each end of the bridge and attached to the bridge deck overhang or on the outside of the bridge barrier.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure on State Route 168 crossing Dog Creek Bridge culvert, which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19802

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 198 at 36.421232°N, 118.918134°W, crossing Bridge #46-0027 at South Fork Kaweah River, in the city of Three Rivers. (Designated Floodway, South Fork Kaweah River, Tulare County)

County: Tulare

Stream: South Fork Kaweah River

Project Description: To install three (3) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiberoptic cables crossing South Fork Kaweah (Bridge #46-0027). The FOC will be installed by trenching 2 feet to 6 feet deep (4.2 feet typical depth) on each end of the bridge and will be attached to the bridge deck overhang.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure on State Route 198 along the South Fork Kaweah River at Bridge No.44- 0027 which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19803

Applicant: Lumen Technologies

Location Description: The project is located underneath the Cosumnes River, approximately 0.3 miles south of the City of Elk Grove.

County: Sacramento

Stream: Cosumnes River

Project Description: To install a 1100 feet of one 12-inch diameter high density polyethylene (HDPE) SDR 11 conduit containing new underground fiber optic lines using horizontal directional drilling system. The project includes one new 4-foot by 4-foot manhole as a part of the access vault.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2, (Replacement and Reconstruction) categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15302), because the proposed activity consists of replacing the existing conduit with facilities with substantially the same purpose and capacity. The project is also exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15303), because the project will install a manhole as part of the access vault. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19838

Applicant: Forefront Power LLC

Location Description: The project is located in Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage District in the SSJDD easement, approximately 2.5 miles north east of City of Davis.

County: Yolo

Stream: Not Specified

Project Description: To install a 4 inch PVC conduit, 4 feet underground utilizing horizontal boring methods.

LMA Endorsement: San Joaquin Drainage District

CEQA Finding: The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures, specifically the installation of a 4-inch PVC conduit underground. In addition, the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304), because the activity consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19843

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 168 at 36.86670°N, 119.57771°W, crossing Dog Creek Culvert at Dog Creek, in the city of Clovis.

County: Fresno

Stream: Dog Creek

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiber optic cable crossing beneath Dog Creek box culvert #421684001415 at Postmile 14.065. The FOC is proposed to be installed by horizontal directional drilling method under the Dog Creek culvert at a minimum depth of 5 feet below the structure. The FOC Broadband Network Infrastructure on State Route 168 in Fresno County will transition to installation by 2 feet to 6 feet deep open trench (4.2 feet typical depth) on each end of the box culvert from Postmile 6.9 to Postmile 18.55.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19844

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 198 at 36.44615°N 118.90203°W, in the city of Three Rivers, Tulare County.

County: Tulare

Stream: Kaweah River

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiber optic cable within the Kaweah River designated floodway between Postmile 39.10 and 39.76. The FOC is to be installed by horizontal directional drilling method beneath eight existing culverts, with a minimum separation of 2 feet between the bottom of the culvert and the conduit. The FOC will transition to installation by trenching in 2 feet to 6 feet deep open trench (4.2 feet typical depth) between culverts.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure on State Route 198 along the Kaweah River which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19845

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description: The project is located on State Route 168 at 36.939839, -119.505193, crossing Dry Creek Bridge (Bridge 42-0089), in the city of Clovis, Fresno County.

County: Fresno

Stream: Dry Creek

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiber optic cable crossing beneath Dry Creek Bridge (#42-0089) at PM 21.61. The FOC is proposed to be installed by horizontal directional drilling method under the Dry Creek bridge at a minimum depth of 5 feet below the wingwall base. The FOC will transition to installation by trenching in 2 feet to 6 feet deep open trench (4.2 feet typical depth) at each end of the bridge.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also

exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19846

Applicant: California Department of Technology (CDT)

Location Description:

County: Fresno

Stream: Dry Creek

Project Description: To install one (1) 2-inch diameter Fiber Optic Conduit (FOC) with fiber optic cable crossing the existing Dry Creek box Culvert. The FOC is proposed to be installed by trenching 2 to 6 feet deep (4.2 feet typical depth) on each end of the culvert.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The project is statutorily exempt under the provisions of CEQA. The Board's approval involves issuing an encroachment permit for the installation of a Broadband Network Infrastructure which is exempt under the statutory exemption of the CEQA Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

In addition, the Board has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15303), because the activity consists of the installation of utility extensions. The project is also exempt under the Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land categorical exemption (CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15304), because the project involves minor public alterations in the condition of the land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA CCR, Title 14, Section 15300.2 apply.