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California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Title: South Main Canal Segment 4 Long Term Repairs

Project Location: The Oakdale Irrigation District South Main Canal from the downstream outlet of the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel to the crossing under Highway 108/120 in Knights Ferry, Stanislaus County.

Project Description:

The condition of the Oakdale Irrigation District (OID or District) South Main Canal was assessed in 2016 from the outlet of the recently constructed Two-Mile Bar Tunnel to where the South Main Canal crosses under Highway 108/120 near Knights Ferry in Stanislaus County, a reach of approximately 4,025 linear feet. It was determined that due to multiple hazards, including the potential for rock slides and leakage from unlined canal wall slopes in some areas, a long term solution was needed to adequately repair the canal, which provides irrigation water to approximately 60% of the District. The South Main Canal Segment 4 Long Term Repairs Project (Project) consists of the localized replacement of the concrete canal invert, the addition or replacement of concrete liner on the upslope canal bank in some areas, and use of shoring walls with rock anchor bolts where necessary and identified throughout the 4,025 foot length Project site. The construction will take place between November 1, 2019 and March 1, 2020 when the canal is dewatered, and all work will be located within the existing OID 100 foot right-of-way for the facility. The capacity or service area of the South Main Canal will not be increased as a result of the Project. The construction laydown site will be located on an existing graded, graveled area adjacent to the canal with an existing entrance ramp into the canal. The staging area is located on OID-owned property that has been used as a staging area for other canal projects.

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Project Purpose:

The purpose of the Project is to restore this reach of the South Main Canal to good condition for continued long term operations. Substantial investments in the canal's integrity have been made upstream. Loss of use of this canal due to structural failure or rock slide would be extremely detrimental to the District, resulting in the potential loss of surface water irrigation water for an extended period time to approximately 46,645 acres of farmland.

Project Proponents: Oakdale Irrigation District

Project Beneficiaries: Oakdale Irrigation District

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Oakdale Irrigation District

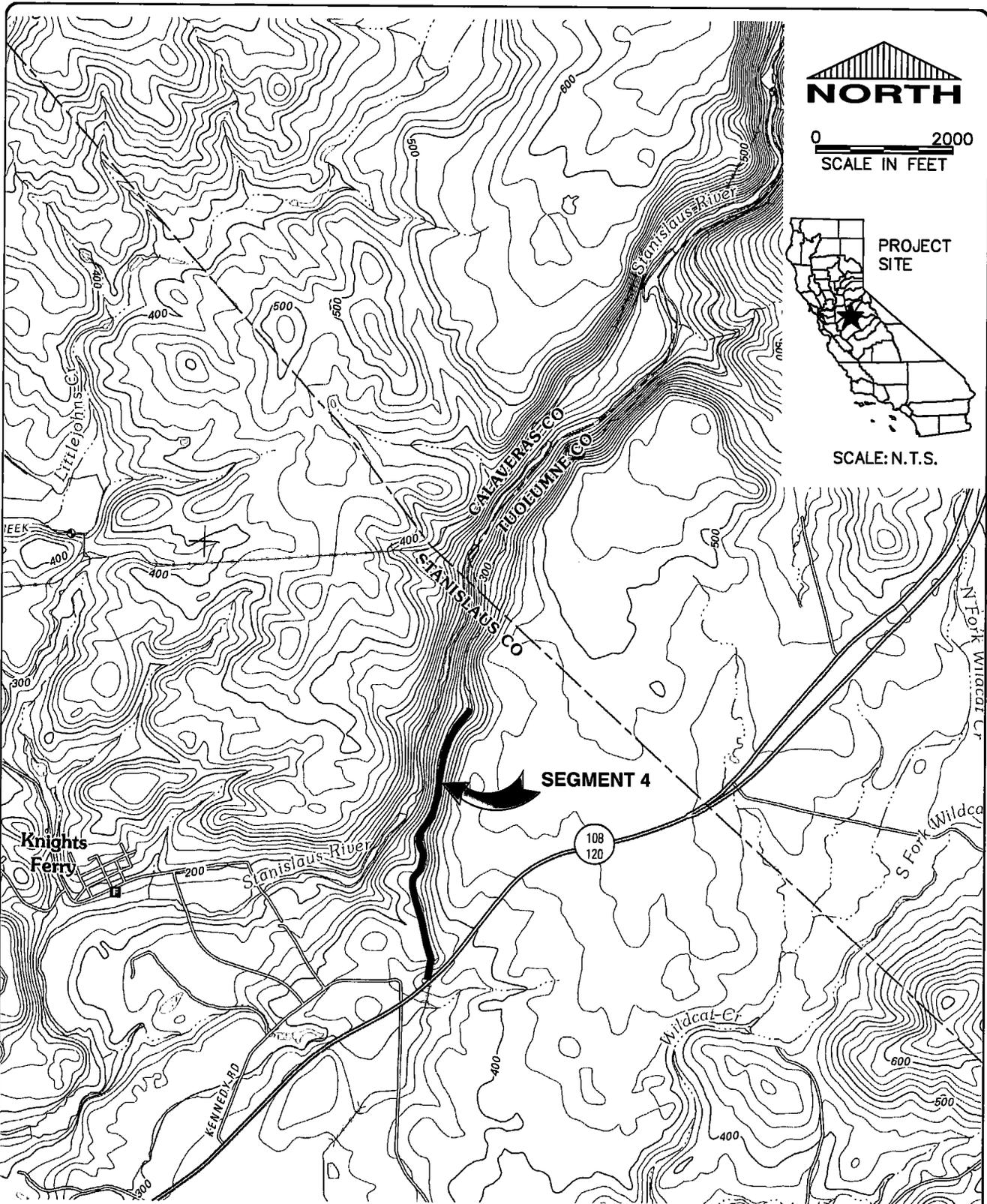
Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption (14 Cal. Code of Regulations, Sec. 15302 Class 2 (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity).

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The Project consists of the repair of existing public facilities used for the conveyance of irrigation surface water. There will be no change in operation or expansion of existing conveyance facilities as a result of the Project.

Dated: 3/20/19



Steve Knell, P.E., General Manager
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BACKGROUND IMAGE: USGS 7.5 MINUTE QUADRANGLE, KNIGHTS FERRY 2012



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