CITY OF FRESNO CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETEMINED TO BE CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES.

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- **PROJECT TITLE:** Roof Membrane Replacement at Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility Warehouse and Maintenance Building and Digester-13 Heating and Mixing Building
- **PROJECT LOCATIONS:** Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility 5607 W Jensen Ave Fresno, CA 93706
- **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project includes installation of new thermoplastic polyolefin (TPO) roof system with a 20-year manufacturer warranty, related flashing elements, walk pads and repair of damaged metal roof decking.

The Project is exempt under Section 15301/Class 1 and Section 15302/Class 2 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Under Section 15301/Class 1, projects are exempt from CEQA requirements when they consist of operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Under Section 15302/Class 2, projects are exempt from CEQA requirements when they consist of the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

The Project described herein represents the re-roofing of existing buildings and repair of damaged metal roof decking at the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility. The project will not expand the use of the existing facility, nor will it relocate any existing facilities or structures. None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth

in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2, apply to the project. The specific work tasks are as follows:

- Reroof by installing new thermoplastic polyolefin (TPO) roof system and related flashing elements and walk pads.
- Repair of damaged metal roof decking.

As such, the reroof, replacement of damaged walk pads and repair of damaged metal decks are exempt under Section 15301/Class 1 and Section 15302/Class 2.

The Project will not expand the use of the existing facility, nor will it relocate any existing facilities or structures. The Project merely represents recommended repairs and replacements to prevent further intrusion and damage to the facility due to water leaks.

None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2, apply:

(a) Location	The Project is not located in a sensitive environment or an environmental resource of hazardous or critical
	concern as designated by federal, state, or local agencies. The work is entirely located at the RWRF.

- (b) Cumulative Impact The Project will not have a cumulative negative impact over time that is significant. The Project merely entails repair and/or replacement work at an existing facility.
- (c) Significant Effect The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. All work will be limited to an existing facility at the RWRF.
- (d) Scenic Highways The Project will not result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. The Project is not located near scenic highways.
- (e) Hazardous Waste Sites The Project is not located on a hazardous waste site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.
- (f) Historical Resources The Project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. The existing facilities at the RWRF are not considered historical resources.

Furthermore, the proposed project is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, a categorical exemption, as noted above, has been prepared for the project.

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