RESOLUTION NO. 2015-104

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE FINDING THE 2015 ROUTINE CHANNEL MAINTENANCE PROJECT (WDMA02-2015) EXEMPT UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, the 2015 Routine Channel Maintenance Project (WDMA02-2015) will perform routine channel maintenance for flood control at seven sites located on channels and creeks in the City of Elk Grove. Routine channel maintenance at the seven sites includes sediment and vegetation removal, reestablishing low flow, reestablishing banks of a creek, and removing/notching a major beaver dam. The Project also involves routine maintenance including hand removal of vegetation at bridges and outfalls throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (Section 21000 et seq. of the Public Resources Code, herein after referred to as CEQA) requires that cities consider the environmental consequences of their actions before approving a project; and

WHEREAS, the Project is a project under CEQA; and

WHEREAS, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the State CEQA Guidelines (Chapter 3 of Division 6 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations) provides an exemption from CEQA for projects involving the minor alteration of existing public or private facilities when the alteration involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby finds this project exempt from CEQA pursuant to the following finding:

<u>Finding</u>: The proposed Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

The proposed Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Evidence: Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities). This exemption applies to the minor alteration of existing public or private facilities when the alteration involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use. The proposed Project involves routine channel maintenance at seven sites located on Ehrhardt Channel, Franklin Creek, Grant Line Channel, Strawberry Creek, a Strawberry Creek tributary channel, and Laguna Creek in the City of Elk Grove. Routine channel maintenance at the seven sites includes sediment and vegetation removal, reestablishing low flow, reestablishing banks of a creek, and removing/notching a major beaver dam. The Project also involves routine maintenance including hand removal of vegetation at bridges and outfalls throughout the City. The routine maintenance included in the proposed Project is minor in nature in that it does not expand the use beyond its current condition and focuses on maintenance to topographical features (channels and creeks). All work will be done within existing drainage easements. No special circumstances exist that would create a reasonable possibility that the Project will have a significant adverse effect on the environment. Therefore, the Project qualifies for the identified exemption and is exempt under CEQA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 27th day of May 2015.

CITY OF ELK GROVE.

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CERTIFICATION ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2015-104

| STATE OF CALIFORNIA |) | |
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| COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO |) | SS |
| CITY OF ELK GROVE |) | |

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on May 27, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** Davis, Hume, Detrick, Ly, Suen

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

COUNCILMEMBERS: ABSENT: None

City of Elk Grove, California