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Notice of Exemption

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From:
Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Project Title: Feather River College Agricultural Program
Project Applicant: Feather River College

Project Location - Specific: The project is located in Spanish Creek, tributary to the North Fork Feather River, in the town of Quincy, in the County of Lake, State of California; Latitude 39.947135, Longitude -120.979422; Township 24N, Range 9E, Section 16 of the Quincy U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute quadrangle, Mt. Diablo base and meridian.

Project Location - City: Quincy **Project Location - County:** Plumas

Project Description: The project is limited to the seasonal diversion of water from Spanish Creek for irrigation on the adjacent agricultural land owned and operated by the Permittee. The water will be pumped from a water pit fed by a ditch from Spanish Creek. The project also includes the use and maintenance of two existing low water crossings. Maintenance of the low water crossings include minor grading to the approaches and trimming back overgrown vegetation as necessary to access and utilize the crossings. The Permittee uses these crossings periodically to facilitate the movement of farm vehicles to various areas of the Feather River College campus. Additionally, gravel maintenance will occur as part of this project to maintain overall stream health and access to low water crossings. Excess gravel is deposited in this area due to historic upstream mining activities. This would occur primarily after significant discharge events have finished each year. The gravel will be deposited on Feather River College's campus and away from the stream channel.

Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Feather River College

Exempt Status:
☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1, section 15301 Existing Facilities and Class 4, section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land

Reasons why project is exempt: This project involves the diversion of water from an existing pump and the maintenance of excess gravel and two low water crossings, consistent with sections 15301 and 15304 of the CEQA Guidelines. This project is not considered to have a significant effect on the environment.

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Signature: _____ *Date:* 3/20/19
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