

Notice of Exemption**To:**

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From:

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Branscomb Farms Water Diversion by Appropriative and Riparian Uses (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0133-R3)

Project Location: The project is located at Frenchmans Creek, a tributary to the Pacific Ocean, in the County of San Mateo, State of California; Latitude 37.48678, Longitude -122.4373 or Section 17, Township 5S, Range 5W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Half Moon Bay, or 780 Frenchmans Creek Road; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 048-310-050, 048-310-06, 048-310-070, 048-310-080, and 048-310-110.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0133-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to K.C. Branscomb.

The project is limited to the operation of a portable 50 gallon per minute (gpm) pump that diverts water from Frenchmans Creek to an existing 7.5-acre foot (ac/ft) pond. The water is then distributed to sprinklers to irrigate grasses for livestock. This diversion point is identified as point of diversion #2 (POD #2).

When the pump is installed, the streambed (directly under the pump) may be dug out to create a 1 foot deep 3- by 3-foot area or sand bags may be placed into the streambed to increase stream level by 1 foot to reduce pressure against the screen to protect fish. A portable screen with 3/32-inch mesh will also be used to exclude fish from the intake pipe.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: K.C. Branscomb

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
 Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: Minor alteration to land.

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Signature: 

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