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Project Title: City of Ukiah NWP Rail Trail Phase 3 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0250-R1)

Project Location: The project is within the city of Ukiah, upstream and adjacent to the railroad crossing of Orrs Creek, between Clara Avenue and Ford Street, in the County of Mendocino, State of California; Section 17, Township 15N, Range 12W; Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian, in the Ukiah, Calif. U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle. Latitude 39.1562°, Longitude -123.2057°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0250-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Ukiah, represented by Timothy Eriksen.

The project is limited to one encroachment. It will establish a new crossing of Orrs Creek using an 89-foot long railcar placed on pre-cast concrete footings, and connect this crossing to a pedestrian trail. The bridge will be set above the 100-year flow line, with only a small portion of one abutment within the 100-year flow. The bridge will be set in place without work in the channel, and the banks will not be modified. Native riparian plantings are incorporated into the project design.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Ukiah, represented by Timothy Eriksen.

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: The project provides a safer pedestrian stream crossing that helps reduce existing pedestrian impacts to bed, bank, and channel. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. The project is a minor alteration to land, water, and vegetation, and does not remove any mature, scenic trees.

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