

**Notice of Exemption****To:**

Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 1701 Nimbus Road  
 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**Street Address:**

1400 Tenth Street  
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**Project Title:** Burnt Flat Bridge [North Fork American River Shaded Fuel Break – Initiated by Executive Order N-05-19] (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0159-R2)

**Project Location:** lower portion of the North Fork American River and its tributaries within Placer County near the town of Colfax; Township 14N, Range 09W, Sections 22 of U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Quad Map Colfax, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian

**Project Description:** The project is limited to the repair and construction of crossings and water drafting necessary to implement the North Fork American River Shaded Fuel Break fuel reduction project. Specifically, the surface of an existing bridge over a tributary to the North Fork American River along Iowa Hill Road, known as Slaughter Ravine, will be scraped and cleared to allow for machine crossing and access. Private property roads will be graded and rocked to reduce sediment coming down the steep roads towards the watercourse. A gate will be installed to prevent further degradation of the road. If needed, water from the watercourse will be drafted from the bridge, all intake hoses will be screened. Additional temporary crossings may be constructed as necessary.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project:** California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1-33); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301-15333)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Per the Governor's Executive Order N-05-19, this Fuel Reduction Project is exempt.

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