

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:**  
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**From:**  
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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A

**Project Title:** SCE Vermilion Staff Gage Installation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-072-R4).

**Project Location:** The Project is located along the edge of Lake Thomas Edison, approximately 800 feet northeast of the east end of Vermilion Valley Dam in unincorporated Fresno County, State of California; Section 25, (with additional staging in Section 26), Township 6.5 South, Range 27 East, United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quad Map Florence Lake, MDB&M; Latitude 37.371550 North, Longitude -118.980229 West.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0072-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The Project includes activities related to the installation of nine new water level gages as required by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and replacement of a log boom at the service spillway entrance.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Southern California Edison

**Exempt Status:**

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

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project includes the maintenance of an existing facility of a publicly-owned utility used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services with no expansion of use. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0072-R4.

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