

Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number:

Project Title: Moffett Creek Bioengineering & Riparian Planting Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0744-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Moffett Creek, a tributary to the Scott River in the County of Siskiyou, State of California; Sections 30, Township 44N, Range 8W; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quadrangle map Indian Creek Baldy, Humboldt Base and Meridian; Assessor's Parcel Number (APNs) 014-281-020, 014-281-040, and 014-070. The nearest address is 537 West Moffett Creek Road, Fort Jones, CA 96032.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0744-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Gary Tickner.

The project is limited to (1) the sloping of the river right bank up to 500 linear feet, and (2) riparian planting for complexity. The project will alter the location of the toe of the bank slope of only 285 feet of bank, will relax the slope of the cut bank to achieve a 2 horizontal :1 vertical (2H:1V) slope where possible, and will partially re-bury the existing well casing that was exposed by high water events in February 2017. Where 2H:1V slopes are not achievable using on-site sediments, we will create an inset planting bench. Riparian planting will be a combination of native deciduous and conifer shrubs and trees. The sloping will be done in the dry conditions with heavy equipment while the planting may occur during the wet season with hand tools and maybe heavy equipment from the bank. Adaptive management may occur in consultation and with approval by CDFW in writing.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Gary Tickner

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 33; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15333.**

Small habitat restoration projects not exceeding five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.

Reasons why project is exempt: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Article 19, Section 15333 Small Habitat Restoration projects.

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