

Notice of Exemption

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From:
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Project Title: Culvert and Diversion for Commercial Cannabis Cultivation (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2017-0603-R1)

Project Location (include county): The projects are located on an unnamed tributary to Hayfork Creek, in the County of Trinity, State of California in Section 5, Township 31N, Range 12W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Hayfork Mount Diablo Base and Meridian; Assessor’s Parcel Number 016-160-80-00.

Point of Diversion: 40.56541, -123.2393
Culvert Installation: 40.565577, -123.240733

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2017-0603-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Francesco Lanzisera.

The project is limited to installation of a new 18-24-inch culvert for access to the cultivation site. The project also includes use of an existing diversion on a spring-fed source that enters Hayfork Creek. Spring boxes collect and supply water via a ¾” poly-pipe to a ram-style HighLifter pump, which can currently pump 1-3 gallons per minute to a 2,500-gallon tank. A solar pump lifts water from the tank another 200’ higher to gravity feed a proposed dwelling and the garden. The pump is adjacent to the watercourse, with overflow from both the pump and the origination source remaining in the channel.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mr. Francesco Lanzisera


Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301**
Consists of the operation, repair, and maintenance of an existing private facility that involves negligible or no expansion of current use.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 3; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15303**
Consists of the construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures or installation of small new equipment.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the operation of an existing diversion. Continued operation of the existing diversion infrastructure will not pose a risk to the environment or public safety. Construction of one new small stream crossing on a Class III stream will not result in significant adverse impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15065.

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