

**Notice of Exemption**

**To:**  
Office of Planning and Research  
For U.S. Mail:  
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**From:**  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Region 1 - Northern  
601 Locust Street  
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**Street Address:**  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Project Title:** 2-20EM-00045-SHA, "Rainbow 29-31 Cable" (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0310-R1) "Moon Fork".

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located on Moon Fork Cottonwood Creek and Unnamed tributaries to North Fork Cottonwood Creek in the Taylor Gulch planning watershed (CalWater Number 5524.350103); in the County of Shasta, State of California; Township (T)31N, Range (R)08W, Section 25; U.S. Geological Survey map, Shasta Bally, Mt Diablo base and meridian.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0310-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sierra Pacific Industries, as represented by Mr. Tom Harrington, for the purposes of existing road repair under Emergency Notice of Timber Operations Exemption 2-20EM-00045-SHA approved by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

The project is limited to 4 encroachments including repair or replacement of failed culverts and excavation of debris and aggraded sediment from Class II stream channels at existing culvert crossing locations.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Tom Harrington, Representative for Sierra Pacific Industries, Managing Entity for the Landowner, Sierra Pacific Land and Timber Company

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1, Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301: Class 1 – Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination; and Class 4 – Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic, trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project meets the criteria for exemption because it consists of the use and minor repair of existing facilities (roads) and minor alteration to land to repair existing failed watercourse crossings.

**CDFW Contact Person:** Steven Criss, Environmental Scientist, (530) 225-2370.

**Signature:**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Hawkins".

**Date:**

7/15/20

Robert Hawkins, Environmental Program Manager  
Timberland Conservation Program – Northern Region  
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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