

**Notice of Exemption**

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**State Clearinghouse Number:** NA

**Project Title:** Targeted Sediment Removal at the Freeman Diversion (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0143-R5)

**Project Location (include county):** 2641 West Los Angeles Avenue, Oxnard, Ventura County, CA 93036. The Freeman Diversion Facility is located on the south bank of the Santa Clara River, 2.8 miles upstream of the Highway 118 bridge.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0143-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to United Waters.

United Waters Conservation District will routinely remove accumulated sands from the concrete channel-lined inlet of the Freeman Diversion facility to maintain functionality of the facility. Sand will be removed utilizing an excavator-mounted suction pump.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** United Waters Conservation District

**Exempt Status:**

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

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 1 consists of the 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.

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