

Notice of Exemption**- 1 -****To:**

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From:

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Project Title: Double Down Farms Stream Crossing Upgrades, Decommissioning, and Channel Restorations to Unnamed Tributaries to Yew Wood Creek and Hembrey Creek (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0228-R1)

Project Location (include county): Projects are located at unnamed tributaries to Yew Wood Creek and Hembrey Creek in Trinity County, CA; 1400 Zenia Lake Mountain Road, Zenia, 95595; APN 020-200-62-00.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0228-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Double Down Farms, represented by Shelley Rodgers.

The projects consist of the removal and replacement of three existing culverts that are either undersized, misaligned, and/or deformed, the excavation and recontouring of the road surface in seven locations to restore historic streamflow, the installation of one new rocked rolling dip, and the maintenance of one existing drainage ditch.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Double Down Farms, as represented by Shelley Rodgers.

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1, 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301&15302

15301. 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.

15302. Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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, Sections 15301 and 15302. The projects consist of the maintenance of existing facilities (stream channels) on a private road, as well as the replacement and reconstruction of existing utility systems (culverts and road surfaces), involving negligible expansion of capacity.

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