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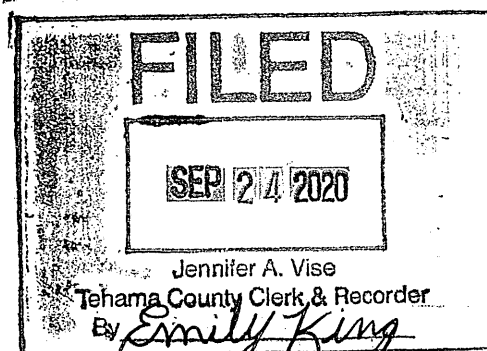
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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**



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(Additional recording fee applies)

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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Tehama, Glenn, Colusa

From: (Public Agency): Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
P.O. Box 1508
Willows, CA 9598
(Address)

Project Title: 2020 Temporary Water Rights Changes from The Nature Conservancy to Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District for Irrigation and Shorebird Habitat

Project Applicant: N/A

Project Location - Specific:

Mill Creek, Sacramento River, GCID Service Area (See Figures 1 and 2)

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Tehama, Glenn, Colusa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

See attached.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: GCID, The Nature Conservancy (TNC)

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Existing Facilities (15301); Common Sense Exemption (15061(b)(3))
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project will divert water through an existing pumping plant and convey it through existing canals; the amount of diversion is within the range of existing and historical diversions at HCPP. The Project will increase the amount of water in stream in Mill Creek and the Sacramento River, to the benefit of anadromous and resident fish, and increase the extent and quality of habitat for migratory birds. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the Project will have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Thaddeus L. Bettner Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 934-8881

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9-24-2020 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

OCT 22 2020

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

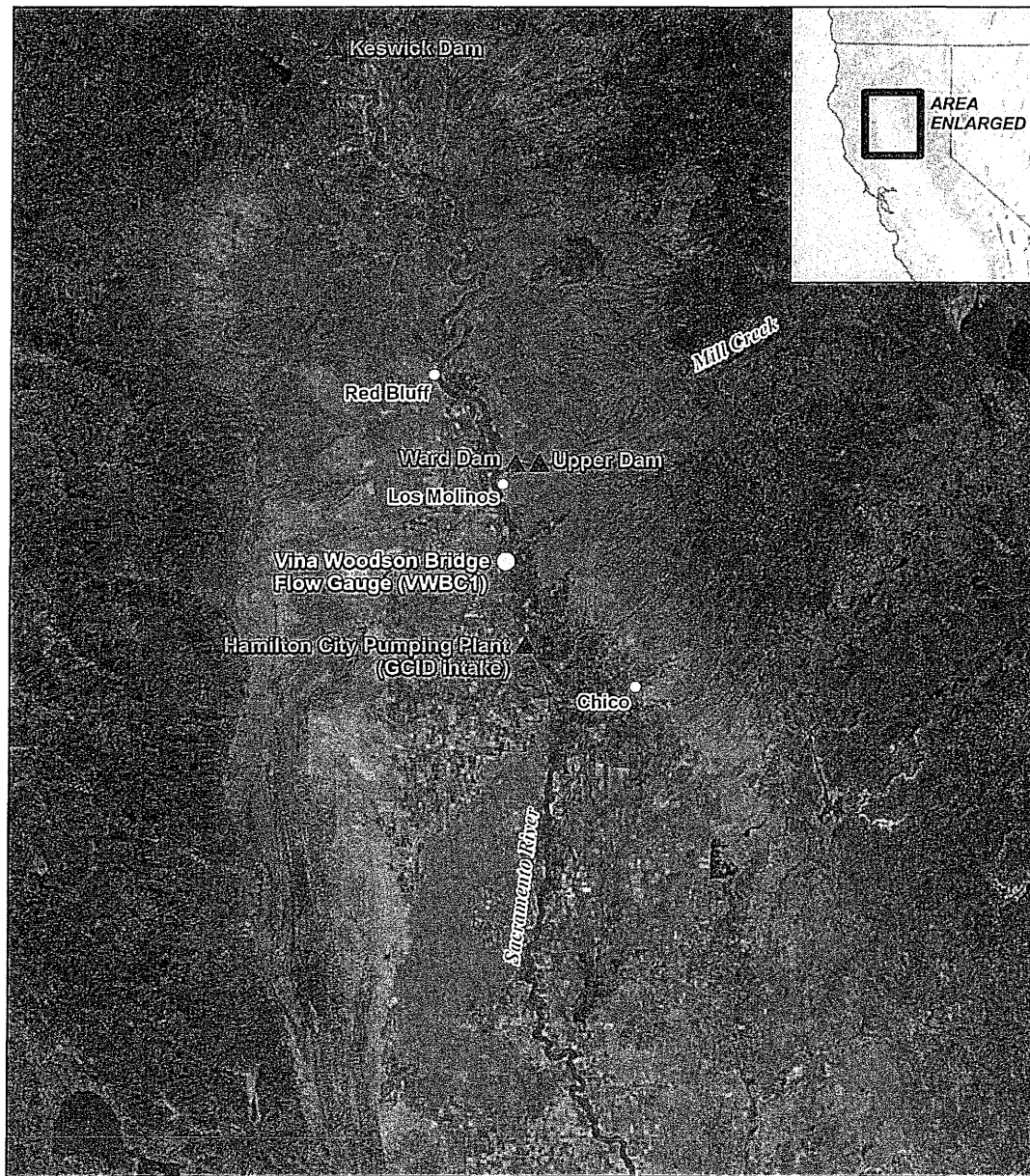
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**Project Description:****2020 Temporary Water Rights Changes from the Nature Conservancy (TNC) to Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID)**

TNC will temporarily change the point of diversion and place of use of certain of its pre-1914 adjudicated appropriative water rights from TNC's adjudicated points of diversion at Ward Dam and Upper Dam on Mill Creek. Between mid-September through December 31, 2020, TNC will allow water to flow instream in lower Mill Creek, where it will enhance instream habitat to promote the recovery of threatened, endangered, or fully protected species, and then in the Sacramento River before being diverted at GCID's Hamilton City Pumping Plant (HCPP) on the Sacramento River. Up to 2,500 acre feet of TNC water will be diverted and used within GCID for fall flooding of up to 1,000 acres of rice post-harvest to facilitate rice straw decomposition, consistent with longstanding agricultural practices, and provide habitat for migratory birds at critical times, through mid-March 2021.

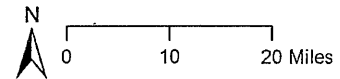
Figure 1

# Project Area Overview



### Legend

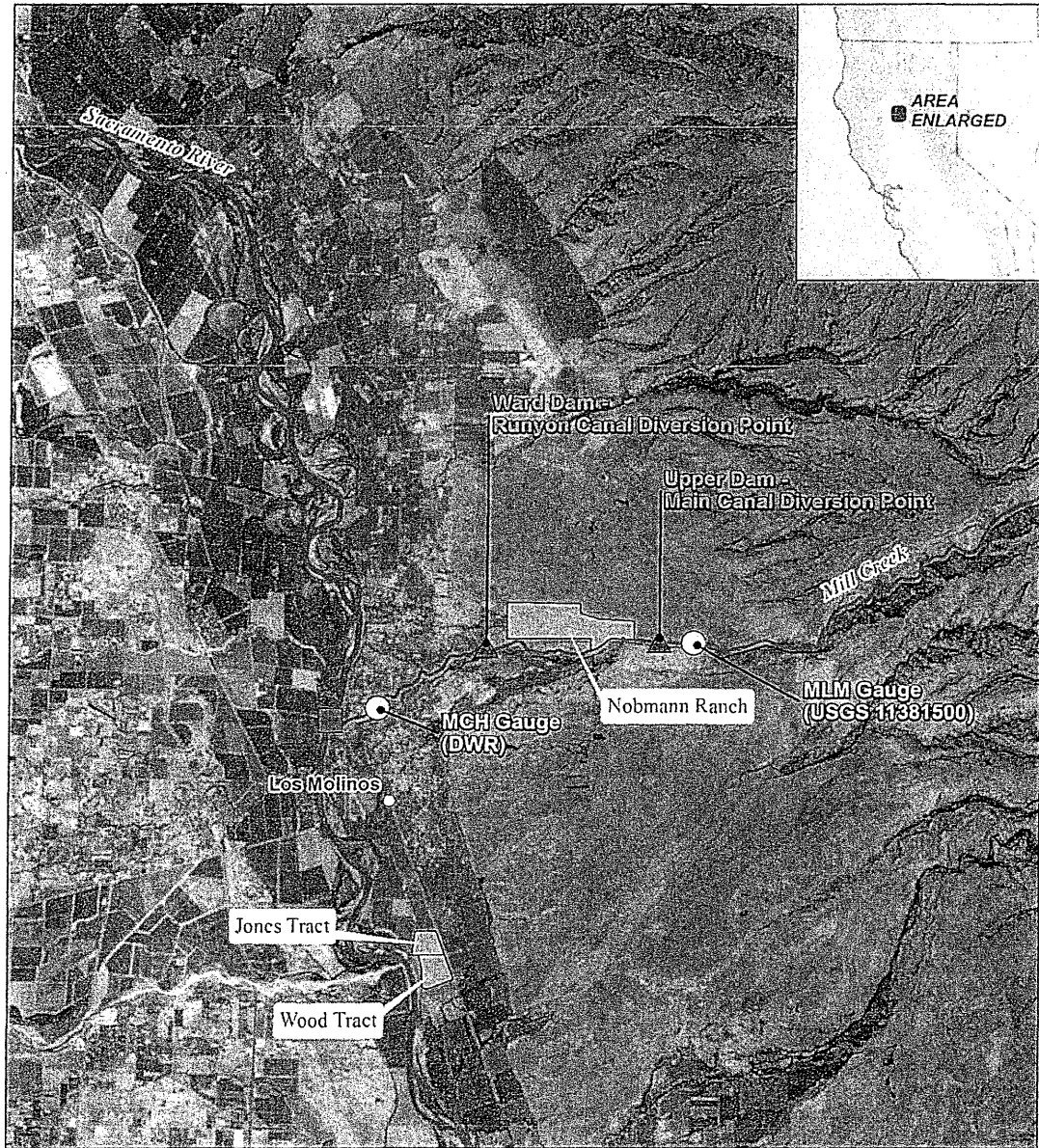
- ▲ Diversion Point
- Flow Gauge
- Cities
- Rivers and Creeks
- Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID) service area
- Los Molinos Mutual Water Company service area



Data Sources: Imagery - Esri (2020);  
Dams, Gauges, Tracts - TNC (2020);  
National Hydrography Dataset - USGS (2020)

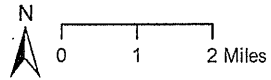
Figure 2

## Lower Mill Creek



### Legend

- ▲ Diversion Point
- Flow Gauge
- Mill Creek-Sacramento River Confluence
- Los Molinos Mutual Water Company service area
- ▭ Tracts
- Cities
- Rivers and Creeks



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State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2020 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 06/01/20) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 52 — 09/24/2020 —  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

|  |                               |                           |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| LEAD AGENCY<br><b>GLENN-COLUSA IRRIGATION DISTRICT</b> | LEAD AGENCY EMAIL             | DATE<br><b>09/24/2020</b> |
| COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING<br><b>Tehama</b>         | DOCUMENT NUMBER<br><b>178</b> |                           |

PROJECT TITLE  
 2020 TEMPORARY WATER RIGHTS CHANGES FROM THE NATURE CONSERVANCY TO GLENN-COLUSA IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR IRRIGATION & SHOREBIRD HABITAT

|   |                         |                                       |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| PROJECT APPLICANT NAME<br><b>N/A</b>            | PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL | PHONE NUMBER<br><b>(530) 934-8881</b> |
| PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS<br><b>PO BOX 1508</b> | CITY<br><b>WILLOWS</b>  | STATE<br><b>CA</b>                    |
|   |                         | ZIP CODE<br><b>9598</b>               |

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency     School District     Other Special District     State Agency     Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

|   |            |    |       |
|---|------------|----|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)  | \$3,343.25 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)   | \$2,406.75 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW         | \$1,136.50 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <br>  |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee  |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)   |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)                   |            |    |       |
| <hr/>   |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00   | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee   |            | \$ | 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |            | \$ |       |

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash     Credit     Check     Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

|                                  |   |
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| SIGNATURE<br><b>x Emily King</b> | AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE<br><b>EMILY KING ASSISTANT CLERK AND RECORDER</b> |
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**NOTICE**

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

**COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

**Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):**

- Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- Mail filing fees for CRP document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW, also:

- Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

**Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))**

- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

**The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:**

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month
- ✓ A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

**DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

**RECEIPT NUMBER**

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

**DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.**

**Mail to:**

California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 Accounting Services Branch  
 P.O. Box 944209  
 Sacramento, California 94244-2090