

## Notice of Exemption

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**From:**  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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### State Clearinghouse Number:

**Project Title:** Lower Yreka Creek Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0674-R1)

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located at Yreka Creek, a tributary to Shasta River in the County of Siskiyou, State of California; Latitude: 41.7755 N, Longitude: 122.5965 W; Section 1, Township 45N, Range 3W; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Yreka, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 013-490-440.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0674-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Siskiyou Gardens Parks and Greenway Association.

The project is limited to the construction of a side channel on Yreka Creek near the confluence of Shasta River. A total of nine pools with large woody debris structures, 0.86 acres of riparian vegetation with floodplain, and 0.58 acres of sloping upland and riparian habitat. The side channel will include an inlet and outlet connection to Yreka Creek. Both will have large woody debris and armoring to prevent erosion. The inlet is designed to divert at most 33% of the base flow of the mainstem Yreka Creek. After the project is constructed, Permittee will perform maintenance of the constructed habitat as needed over the term of the Agreement. Permittee will coordinate with CDFW in advance of any maintenance activities to ensure that adequate water quality and species protection measures are established and implemented. In addition, Permittee will implement the Adaptive Management Plan, included as a supplement to the notification on October 11, 2020. This plan includes water quality monitoring, functionality monitoring and maintenance, fish health monitoring, and reporting.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Siskiyou Gardens Parks and Greenway Association

### Exempt Status:

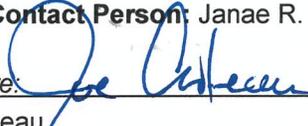
Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 33; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15333.**

Small habitat restoration projects not exceeding five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.

**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, Section 15333 Small Habitat Restoration projects.

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**Date:** 11/19/2020

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