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Project Title: McGary Water Diversion, Stream Crossings, and Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2015-0380-R1)

Project Location (include county): Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2015-0380-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Ms. Marta McCary.

The project to be completed is located within the Cinch Creek watershed, approximately 13.8 miles northeast of the town of Leggett, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 12, T24N, R15W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Updegraff Ridge U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 011-690-022; latitude 39.9430 N and longitude 123.4870 W.

The project is limited to eleven encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from a hydrologically connected pond. Water is diverted for irrigation. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. The ten other proposed encroachments are to upgrade failing road/stream crossings that are actively delivering sediment to Unnamed Tributaries of Cinch Creek. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the failing culverts, compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Ms. Marta McCary

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 and 21; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 and 15321

Reasons why project is exempt: The Agreement will permit water diversion from a pond and remediation of ten road/stream crossings. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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