

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Routine Maintenance Agreement – Bel Marin Keys Unit V (BMK) Levee Maintenance (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2017-0440-R3)

Project Location: The project is located at Novato Creek and an unnamed tributary to San Pablo Bay adjacent to Pacheco Pond in Marin County. The project is adjacent to the City of Novato near Bel Marin Keys Boulevard and Montego Key. It is within two locations, the first approximately 1,100 feet west of the Bel Marin Keys Boulevard and Montego Key intersection and the second approximately 230 feet north of the easterly terminus of Bel Marin Keys Boulevard.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2017-0440-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to California State Coastal Conservancy.

The project is limited to routine maintenance activities along Novato Creek levee and the unnamed tributary levee along Pacheco Pond. These activities include vegetation management and repairing and stabilizing levees.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California State Coastal Conservancy as represented by Jeff Melby

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: The project meets the definition of Class 1 existing facilities categorical exemption because it consists of the maintenance and repair of existing levees. All activities will involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

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