

## Notice of Exemption

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**Project Title:** Sierra County Storm Damage Repair (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0201-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located at three locations along Sailor Ravine Road, Oxford Mine Road, and Gold Bluff Road on unnamed tributaries to Downie River, in the County of Sierra, State of California.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed a Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0201-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Sierra County, Public Works.

The Project includes activities that address the 2017 storm damage at Sailor Ravine Road, Oxford Mine Road, and Gold Bluff Road. The goal is to bring all three locations to pre-disaster design, function, and capacity. The Project includes replacement of the current corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts at all three locations, road and embankment replacement and restoration, installing rock slope protection both upstream and downstream of the CMP, construction of a new concrete headwall at the Oxford Mine and Gold Bluff Road sites, and installation of a 25 feet long pile wall with timber lagging to return the slope to pre-disaster condition at the Gold Bluff Road site.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project:** Sierra County, Public Works

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1 (c)); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project is categorically exempt, Class 1 (c) – Existing Facilities because it consists of repair and minor alteration of existing public structures and topographical features involving negligible expansion of existing or former use.

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