

## Notice of Exemption

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**From:**  
California Department of Fish and  
Wildlife  
Region 1 - Northern  
601 Locust Street  
Redding, California 96001

**Project Title:** Issuance of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0083, Beltramo Ranch Diversion Project

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located at Willow Creek, tributary the Shasta River, in the County of Siskiyou, State of California; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map China Mountain, base and meridian. The Upper Diversion – 301 at Latitude 41.47693, Longitude -122.5766 decimal degrees (DD) at point of diversion, Assessor Parcel Number [APN] 022-290-160. The Pond Diversion – 307 at Latitude 41.49419, Longitude -122.54625 DD at point of diversion; 22830 Gazelle Callahan Road; APN 022-280-290. The Lower Diversion – 309 is located at Latitude 41.49558, Longitude -122.53726 DD at point of diversion; 22830 Gazelle Callahan Road; APN 022-280-270.

**Project Description:** The project is limited to the diversion of water from Willow Creek, and the subsequent operation and maintenance of those diversions. The activities include the creation of temporary gravel dam with on site material to assist in the diversion of water at each site. Heavy equipment may be used to create the gravel dam and will be removed at end of irrigation season. The Permittee has water rights pursuant to Decree #7035 of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the Count of Siskiyou judgement for Shasta River, including the tributary of Willow Creek, Table 9, and Map 49 and 54. The Permittee has a combined total diversion rate of 12.84005 cfs from March 1 – November 1. Permittee has the right to move water rights at other locations and/or change the configuration of the diversion, and install protective fish screens on the diversion. CDFW will review and provide any protective measures for the establishment of the diversion and fish screen facilities.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Mr. Rodney Wood (Permittee).

**Exempt Status:**

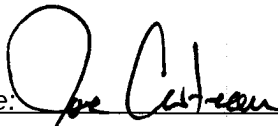
Statutory Exemption. State code number

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301**, Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is annual maintenance and diversions of water from Willow Creek pursuant to their lawful water right. There will be no removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees as a result of this project. The project will have no significant effect on the environment.

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