

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): Shasta Valley RCD  
215 Executive Court, Ste. A Yreka CA, 96097

County Clerk  
County of: Siskiyou  
510 North Main Street  
Yreka CA, 96097

(Address) **FILED**  
Siskiyou County

MAY 27 2021

Project Title: Parks Creek Riparian Improvement Project

Project Applicant: Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District

LAURA BYNUM, CLERK  
**ENDORSED-J. BARKMAN**  
Deputy Clerk

Project Location - Specific: The project is located on private ranch lands along Parks Creek in central Siskiyou County between State Highway 99 and Interstate 5. Township 42N, Range 5W, Sections 7, 18, 19, 20, 29, 32, and 33.

Project Location - City: Gazelle Project Location - County: Siskiyou

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will install 4.25 miles of new riparian fencing along Parks Creek, construct 6 alternative stockwatering troughs, and 1,000 linear feet of riparian planting, for the purpose of improved livestock management, reduced riparian pressure, and improving habitat for fish, plants, and wildlife.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption, State type and section number: 15304; 15333
- Statutory Exemptions, State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Under Section 15304: Minor alterations to land by construction of livestock exclusion fencing and alternative stockwater systems, and riparian planting along Parks Creek; Under 15333: Habitat Restoration on Parks creek via riparian plantings and increased livestock management by the construction of livestock exclusion fencing. Effective livestock management will reduce pressure and loafing behavior within sensitive riparian habitat.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ethan Brown Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 572-3120

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/26/2021 Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21162, and 21162.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for Filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION 21-001

### RESOLUTION OF THE SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (SVRCD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING NOTICE OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15304: MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND, AND 15333: SMALL HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECTS FOR THE PARKS CREEK RIPARIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the installation of 4.25 miles of riparian fencing, 6 livestock watering systems, and 1,000 linear feet of riparian plantings on Parks Creek, a tributary to the Shasta River, has been approved by the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District Board of Directors (“Board”); and

**WHEREAS**, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to consider the potential environmental effects of any project; and

**WHEREAS**, the project actions consist of construction of riparian fencing, alternative stockwater systems, and riparian plantings and will not involve expansion of capacity in any; and

**WHEREAS**, the SVRCD Board has analyzed the project actions and determined that the activity in question is exempt from CEQA under Article 19, Class 4, Sections 15304 and 15333 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the SVRCD in session assembled on May 12, 2021, based on the evidence presented, both written and oral, hereby adopts the Notice of Exemption for the improvements on Parks Creek for the Parks Creek Riparian Improvement Project. The project includes work that is funded in full by the State Water Resources Control Board and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. This determination is based on the following findings and for the following reasons:

*1. Based on the entire record, the SVRCD Board of Directors finds that the project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA pursuant to sections 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land, and 15333 – Small Habitat Restoration Projects.*

The project consists of constructing 4.25 miles of livestock exclusion fencing, providing alternate livestock watering systems, and riparian plantings at two sites totaling 1,000 linear feet, for the purposes of enhancing livestock management and riparian conditions within the project areas.

*2. The environmental assessment reflects the independent judgement and analysis of the lead agency.*

Based on review of the project actions and information provided to the Board of Directors by the SVRCD staff, the Board of Directors has made an informed and independent determination that the project will have minor alterations to land for the purposes of small habitat restoration and therefore is Categorically Exempt from CEQA.

*3. The staff of the SVRCD is hereby directed to promptly file a Notice of Exemption.*

The staff of SVRCD shall file a Notice of Exemption with the Siskiyou County Clerk.

4. *The Board of Directors of the SVRCD hereby authorizes the District Manager to execute the Notice of Exemption on behalf of the SVRCD.*

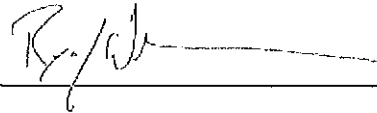
5. *The custodian of the records for this matter is the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, District Manager, 215 Executive Ct., Suite A, Yreka, CA 96097.*

This resolution was PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

AYES: Mike Duchi, Ryan Walker, Bill Hirt, Zach Salvestro

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chris Robertson

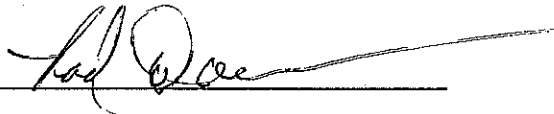


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Ryan Walker, Chair

Shasta Valley RCD Board of Directors

ATTEST:



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Rod Dowse, District Manager



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2021 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/21) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 47-05/27/2021-022

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 05/27/2021
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SISKIYOU COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER 2021-47-022	

PROJECT TITLE  
 PARKS CREEK RIPARIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 215 EXECUTIVE COURT, STE A	CITY YREKA	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 96097

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency   
  School District   
  Other Special District   
  State Agency   
  Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 3,445.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 2,480.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,171.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Exempt from fee
  - Notice of Exemption (attach)
  - CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 50.00
- Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other   
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 50.00

SIGNATURE <b>ENDORSED-J. BARKMAN</b> <b>X</b>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Julie Barkman Deputy Clerk
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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL FEE FORM

On 5/26/2021, Rod Dowse filed an application for development with the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District. Before the application is accepted as complete for processing, fees in the following amount(s) must be deposited with the County Clerk.

- Clerk Processing Fee \$50.00
Negative Declaration \$2,480.25\*
EIR \$3,445.25
Categorically Exempt \$0.00
Statutorily Exempt \$0.00
Fee Exemption issued by the DFG \$0.00
Other \$

No project shall be operative, vested or final until the required fee is paid. Public Resources Code §21089 (b)

On 5/27/2021, Rod Dowse deposited \$ 50.00

ENDORSED-J. BARKMAN

with the Siskiyou County Clerk (Attest)

Application No. N/A Receipt # 2021000397/ 47-052721-022

\* If it is determined by Siskiyou County that the fee required for a Negative Declaration does not apply to your project a refund will be granted. 2021 Fee Form