

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:**Office of Planning and Research  
For U.S. Mail:P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044**Street Address:**1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814**From:**Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Bay Delta Region  
2825 Cordelia Road, Suite 100  
Fairfield, CA 94534

**Project Title:** Chiles Valley LLC Property – Cannabis Grow Site Restoration (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0226-R3)

**Project Location (include county):** The project occurs on a remote property within the Putah Creek Watershed in the upper reaches of Chiles Valley, Napa County. The project area is accessed from a private easement road at 3452 Sage Canyon Road. There are 11 project sites located at the approximate coordinates below.

<i>Latitude, Longitude</i>	
38.548178° N, 122.291060° W	38.546833° N, 122.288387° W
38.547630° N, 122.290650° W	38.546267° N, 122.287908° W
38.547039° N, 122.287553° W	38.547263° N, 122.288878° W
38.547479° N, 122.290325° W	38.54929° N, 122.2867° W
38.546989° N, 122.288849° W	38.547219° N, 122.288024° W
38.546893° N, 122.288056° W	

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0226-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to The Land Trust of Napa County.

The project is in response to a Notice of Violation issued by the County of Napa in 2016 for illegal cannabis cultivation and earthmoving work completed by the previous landowner. The project is limited to decommissioning 8 ephemeral stream crossings, 1 instream head cut, 3 earthen pads (created for cannabis cultivation), 2 off-stream ponds, and approximately 0.67 miles of access roads impacting unnamed streams. The project will restore a total of 0.99 acres of habitat.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** The Land Trust of Napa County

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 33; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15333

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project does not exceed 5 acres in size and is to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of habitat for fish, plants, and wildlife.

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