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Project Title: Redwood Valley County Water District Waterline Repair (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MEN-22475-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project is located within the Russian River watershed, approximately 1.5 miles north of the town of Redwood Valley, County of Mendocino, State of California; Section 32, T17N, R12W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian, in the Redwood Valley U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-MEN-22475-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jared Walker, representing Redwood Valley County Water District.

The project is limited to one (1) encroachment (Table 1). The encroachment is to replace approximately 40 feet of failing 20-inch waterline which crosses under the Russian River. The waterline is part of the Redwood Valley County Water District (RVCWD) infrastructure. Work for this encroachment will include excavation and replacement of failing waterline sections.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Jared Walker, representing Redwood Valley County Water District

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1, 2, and 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301, 15302, and 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: Encroachment is for replacement of a leaking water line which crosses under the Russian River. Repaired and replaced water line will involve substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure repaired/replaced, and negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Work consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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