

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Stornetta Stockpond Culvert (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0249-R3)

Project Location: The project is located at the 'Stornetta Stockpond', an on-stream pond on an unnamed tributary to Huichica Creek in an unincorporated area of Napa County, State of California; Latitude 38.25468, Longitude - 122.37911. The nearest property address is 5998 Haire Lane, Napa, CA 94559; Assessor's Parcel Number 040-070-018. The gate to the property is located on the north side of State Route 12, directly across the highway from Haire Lane.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0249-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Alberta Stornetta.

The project is limited to installing a 27-foot long, 12-inch diameter corrugated metal pipe (CMP) at the Stornetta Stockpond (Pond) dam outlet. The purpose of the project is to reduce the Pond's capacity from 12 acre-feet to 10-acre-feet, as required by the State Water Resources Control Board's Cease and Desist Order (WR 2018-0088). The new CMP will be installed within the existing rock wall at the Pond outlet. To install the CMP within the existing rock wall, an approximately 1.5-foot wide section of the rock wall will be saw cut and removed. The new CMP will be installed at the base of the cut and backfilled with compacted soil and gravel to match the elevation of the top of the rock wall. At the inlet to the new CMP, an approximately 1.5-foot long, 4-foot wide, 5-foot high, concrete weir box will be installed to be able to measure rate of flow. In front of the concrete weir box, an approximately 6.5-foot wide portion of an existing concrete headwall will be removed and replaced with a 6.5-foot long steel grate with 6-inch bar spacing.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Alberta Stornetta

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Classes 1 and 3; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15301 and 15303

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of: 1) minor alterations of existing private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use, and 2) construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure.

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