

**Notice of Exemption****- 1 -****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  
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**Project Title:** Streamflow Measurements on Pepperwood Preserve (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, EPIMS Notification No. SON-21512-R3)

**Project Location (include county):** The project is located at Weimer Creek and Redwood Creek, tributaries to Franz Creek, on the Pepperwood Preserve property accessed at 2130 Pepperwood Preserve Road, in an unincorporated area of the County of Sonoma; Weimar weir: Latitude 38.59133°, Longitude -122.691552°; Redwood weir: Latitude 38.582480°, Longitude -122.688697°.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SON-21512-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Pepperwood Foundation.

The project is limited to the installation and operation of two fixed geometry v-notch weirs for the measurement of streamflow in Weimar Creek and Redwood Creek, the upper headwaters of Franz Creek. The weirs will be constructed using a small concrete wall approximately 3.5-feet high with a stainless-steel weir plate affixed to the concrete frame to confine the flow to a known geometry. The stainless-steel weir plate will be installed in the creek after winter high flows cease and will remain in place until summer low flows. The weir structures will be reinforced with rebar and built directly on bedrock to minimize scour.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Pepperwood Foundation

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 3 & 6; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15303 & 15306

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project consists of basic data collection and resource evaluation, which does not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The project also entails construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures.

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