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**Project Title:** Wood Water Diversion and Stream Crossings Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-02414-R1)

**Project Location (include county):** The project to be completed is located within the Jones Creek and the South Fork Eel River watershed, approximately 5.3 miles southwest of the town of Benbow, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 21, T5S, R3E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Garberville U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 222-071-023; latitude 40.0039 N and longitude 123.8354 W at the point of diversion (POD).

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-HUM-02414-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Boden Wood.

The project is limited to five encroachments. One encroachment is for water diversion from an unnamed tributary to Jones Creek. Water is diverted for domestic use. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. Three other proposed encroachments are to upgrade road/steam crossings. A fifth encroachment will decommission an onstream pond.

Work for these encroachments will include excavation, grading, removal of culverts, replacement with new culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

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


**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Boden Wood

**Exempt Status:**

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

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This LSA will permit improvements to stream crossings and condition existing water use. 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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