

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Parsons Neefus Gulch Culvert (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-23165-R1C)

Project Location (include county): The Project to be completed is located within the Navarro River watershed, approximately 3.5 miles NW of the town of Navarro, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 12, T15N, R16W, Mount Diablo Principal Meridian; in the Navarro U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 128-310-14-00; latitude 39.1930 N and longitude -123.58685 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-23165-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Mendocino County Department of Transportation.

The Project proposes to install a 24" culvert under a road crossing near the headwaters of Neefus Gulch. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, setting new culvert to grade, compaction of fill, and rock armoring above the culvert and on the road to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mendocino County Department of Transportation

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Class 2 California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of installing a culvert on Neefus Gulch near its headwaters. Due to the location of the culvert, there would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065.

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