

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: McIntosh pier replacement (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. PLA-20742-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Lake Tahoe, in the County of Placer, State of California; Latitude 39.0733 degrees North, Longitude 120.1359 degrees West; 6740 Powderhorn Lane, Tahoma, CA, 96142.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number PLA-20742-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, John McIntosh.

The project is limited to the following activities: 1) Demolition of the existing pier including removal of the eleven support pilings; 2) Construction of the proposed pier including driving 20 new steel pilings into the lakebed resulting in 12.75 square feet of benthic coverage, or an increase of 5.8 square feet of benthic coverage from the existing pier. The new the pier will be extended to the pier headline to a point short of the pier headline in order to comply with the maximum scenic mass under current design standards. The proposed pier is aligned in a similar location as the existing pier, adhering to the setback standards under the current design standards. The total length of the proposed pier is 147-feet, with a conforming pier head of 30-feet in length by 10-feet in width, with an adjustable 30-foot catwalk proposed at the pier head; 3) Additionally, a boatlift is proposed for the southern side of the pier head.

All pier demolition and construction activities, including placement of new support pilings will be conducted from the lake water side of the project through use of an amphibious vehicle or use of a barge. The barge will be tethered to the existing pier pilings during the demolition phase and to at least one of the new pilings during the pile driving and construction phases of the project.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: John McIntosh

Exempt Status:

- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (2, 4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15301-15333)

Reasons why project is exempt: **Class 2** because this project consists of the removal of an existing pier followed by construction of a pier within nearly the same footprint as the previous structure. **Class 4** because the project consists of a minor alteration of land which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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