

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Hidalgo Residence (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. CAL-27996-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Tulloch Reservoir, in the County of Calaveras, State of California; Latitude 37.90431 degrees North, Longitude 120.58789 degrees West; 730 Bret Harte Drive, Copperopolis CA 95228.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number CAL-27996-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Guillermo Hidalgo.

The project is limited to the following activities:

- 1) At approximately 508 feet Mean Sea Level, a drill rig mounted on a steerable skid will be used to drill four (4) holes eighteen (18) inches in diameter by twelve (12) feet deep into the lakebed of Tulloch Reservoir. These four holes will contain one each, eighteen-inch diameter concrete support pilings for the deck of a residence constructed on the property. The support pilings are below the ordinary high-water mark of the reservoir and therefore are considered within the lakebed or bank.
- 2) Between four (4) and five (5) cubic yards of soil will also be excavated from the bank of the reservoir using the same steerable skid to accommodate placement of a concrete foundation wall.
- 3) All soils from the drilling of the piling holes and excavated to allow for the concrete foundation wall will be stockpiled in an upland area and used as compacted backfill behind the planned concrete foundation wall.
- 4) All work is to be conducted during times of low water levels when the portion of the lakebed and bank are exposed and dry. Lake water levels shall not be higher than 500 feet Mean Sea Level during construction activities.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Guillermo Hidalgo

Exempt Status:

- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (3, 4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15303, 15304)

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Reasons why project is exempt: Class 3 because the support pilings will be integral to construction of a single-family residence. 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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