

Notice of Exemption**- 1 -****To:**

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**Lead Agency**

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Project Title: Oak Canyon Community Park Pond Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-VEN-20548-R5)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at 5600 Hollytree Drive, Oak Park, 93117, in the County of Ventura, State of California; and can be located using the following: Latitude 34.184528, Longitude -118.770926. The Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) associated with this project is 685-0-010-205.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-VEN-20548-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jonathan Schwartz.

The project is limited to the Oak Canyon Community Park Pond Restoration project (Project) on Medea Creek, which is tributary to Malibu Creek. The park area was burned during the Woolsey Fire in 2018, and during subsequent winter rains, sediment, ash, and debris washed down into and filled the ponds, culvert and Medea Creek channel. Vegetation grew in the previously open water habitat of the ponds because of the sedimentation. Additionally, the culvert and Medea Creek channel were altered by the deposition of sediment and debris. The purpose of the Project is to restore the pond, culvert, and Medea Creek channel to the pre-Woolsey fire condition. The Project consists of six components, including pond repair, fishing pier and pump system repair, Medea Creek cleanout north and south of the culvert, Medea Creek channel cleanout, creation of a rock wall, and wetland restoration around the pond.

Public Agency Approving Project: Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District, represented by Jonathan Schwartz

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 33; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15333 Small Habitat Restoration Projects. Class 04; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304, Minor Alterations to Land. Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301, Existing Facilities.

Reasons why project is exempt: This project is less than five acres, will restore native habitat, will not significantly impact any sensitive resources, and will repair existing facilities.

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