

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Pilot Winter Run Chinook Salmon Remote Site Incubator Test

Project Location (include county): This egg rearing project will be located at the Ah-Di-Na Campground below the McCloud Reservoir (41.109, -122.099). The temporary rotary screw trap will be located at The McCloud Bridge Campground near the main body of Shasta Lake (40.937, -122.247). Both are located in Shasta County.

Project Description: This project proposes to place Winter Run Chinook Salmon (winter run) eggs taken from Livingstone Stone Federal Hatchery into Remote Site Incubators (RSI) at Ah-Di-Na Campground, as well as run a temporary Rotary Screw Trap (RST) station near the McCloud Bridge Campground. The project will consist of testing the RSI (41.0634.24; -122.0551.84) in the McCloud River for future winter run reintroduction efforts and allow for the efficiency of the RST (40.5614.94; -122.1448.73) to be evaluated at the McCloud Bridge Campground location.

Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 6; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15306**, Consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project will have no significant effects on the environment. Take of listed species pursuant to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) will be addressed via compliance with an ESA Section 10(a)(1)(A) Recovery Permit.

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