

Notice of Exemption

To:

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From:

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Project Title: Lee Vining Burn Dump Site Remediation Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MOO-28840-R6).

Project Location (Mono County): The Project is located at the Lee Vining Burn Dump Site Remediation site, east of U.S. Route 395 and Mattly Avenue and just west of the Mono Basin Scenic Area Visitor Center in two unnamed tributaries of Mono Lake, in the County of Mono, State of California; Latitude 37.96583, Longitude -119.12306; Assessor’s Parcel No. 021-090-013-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MOO-28840-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code (FGC) to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle).

The Permittee is proposing to remediate an existing burn dump site, located on United States Forest Service (USFS) land that was operated as an unattended dump by the Mono County Department of Public Works from 1962 to 1973. The Project covered by this Agreement is limited to the following activities within two natural drainage channels, tributaries to Mono Lake. Phase I: the placement of grouted riprap resulting in 1.2 acres of permanent impacts, the removal of native vegetation resulting in 0.15 acres of permanent impacts, and the installation of check dams resulting in 0.06 acres of permanent impacts to FGC section 1602 resources; Phase 2: installation of an additional seven check dams (270 square feet each) resulting in 0.04 acres of permanent impacts, installation of energy dissipators resulting in 0.08 acres of permanent impacts, construction of a berm (136 linear feet by 6 square feet) in one of the channels resulting in 0.02 acres of permanent impacts, construction of a top deck inlet (14 square feet) resulting in 0.0003 acres of permanent impacts, and construction of 11 chevrons (30 square feet each) resulting in 0.007 acres of permanent impacts to FGC section 1602 resources. The Project also includes revegetation of 0.15 acre of FGC section 1602 resources with native vegetation.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 8; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15308

Reasons why project is exempt: This project consists of actions taken by CalRecycle and CDFW (regulatory agencies) to assure maintenance, restoration, enhancement or protection for the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment.

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