

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-ELD-32772-R2, Tamarack Mutual Water Company (TMWC) California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP) Watercourse Crossing Project

Project Location: The projects are located on the west side of Highway 89 and 3 Ring Road at two unnamed tributaries to Lake Tahoe; Latitude 39.00279, Longitude -120.115023; Township 13N, Range 17E, Sections 4-5 of the Meeks Bay U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quad Map; Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-ELD-32772-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Tamarack Mutual Water Company.

The project is limited to the installation of two temporary watercourse crossings to allow access for equipment to complete fuels reduction work as part of the Tamarack Mutual Water Company (TMWC) California Forest Improvement Program (CFIP) Watercourse Crossing Project. A small excavator will be used to place trench plates at each crossing. Crossings will include either two (2) two-foot by ten-foot plates or one four-foot by ten-foot plate. Trench plates will be removed upon project completion. No material will be added or removed, and no water will be diverted as part of this project. Some vegetation may be trimmed back adjacent to crossings. Equipment to use temporary crossings include a masticator, tracked chipper, and an all-terrain vehicle for fueling and emergency fire suppression.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Tamarack Mutual Water Company

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption. Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: This project involves minor alteration to land and does not impact special status species or the habitat on which they depend.

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