

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Lakeview Bridge Replacement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-SIS-30740-R11)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Klamath River, in Siskiyou County, California; Latitude 41.931260, Longitude -122.441498; Assessor’s Parcel Number 041-070-050-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement, EPIMS-SIS-30740-R11, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to PacifiCorp, as represented by Robert Roach.

The project is limited to the replacement of Lakeview Bridge over the Klamath River between the Bogus Creek confluence and Iron Gate Dam (Project). The new bridge will be constructed immediately downstream and in the same alignment as the existing bridge. The replacement bridge will be of similar size and dimensions as the existing bridge (approximately 276 feet long, including approaches, and 18 feet wide), and will serve the same purpose and capacity. The bridge will be supported by two in-water foundations (drilled shafts) and two upland abutments. Ancillary activities include earthwork to construct new approaches to the replacement bridge, replacement of existing gravel and asphalt surfacing at the approaches, stormwater treatment best management practices, and post-project restoration. Construction of the project is expected to commence in early 2023 and to be completed in one in-water work season.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: PacifiCorp

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302 (c)**, Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is limited to the replacement of an existing bridge immediately adjacent to the existing bridge, with the same purpose and capacity as the existing bridge. The project includes restoration of impacted resources.

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