

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:**  
Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:**  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Northern Region  
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**Project Title:** Gutierrez Stream Restoration Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-30312-R1C)

**Project Location (Mendocino):** The project to be completed is located within the South Fork Eel River watershed, approximately one mile north of the town of Laytonville, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 1, T21N, R15W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Laytonville U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 014-020-71; latitude 39.703742 N and longitude 123.48675 W at the project location.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-30312-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jennifer Formoso.

This Agreement relies on the Notification materials and a CDFW site inspection on July 29, 2022. The project is limited to one encroachment to remediate an on-stream pond and restore approximately 50 to 60 feet of a stream channel. This will include reestablishing a two-foot wide streambed at the native channel grade, pulling back perched fill, rock armoring the channel and the base of the banks through the restored stream reach with sufficiently sized rock to stabilize the channel, and revegetating with native and/or non-invasive and locally-sourced material.

**Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Edgar Gutierrez

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Gutierrez Stream Restoration Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 4; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304 because the project consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation, which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. There will be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare, or threatened species, or their habitat pursuant to Section 15065.

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