

Notice of Exemption

To:

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From:

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Project Title: Pope Valley Restoration Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-NAP-25081-R3)

Project Location (Napa County): The Project is located at Burton Creek and at two unnamed tributaries to Burton Creek at 6310 Pope Valley Road, in the unincorporated community of Pope Valley, County of Napa, State of California. The Assessor's Parcel Number is 018-250-019-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-NAP-25081-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Hess Persson Estates.

The Project is limited to restoration of Burton Creek and two unnamed tributaries to Burton Creek, in response to CDFW's Notice of Violation (NOV) dated September 23, 2021. The Project will install native plants on approximately 5.2 acres and 2,097 linear feet at one unnamed tributary to Burton Creek and 0.5 acres and 261 linear feet at a second unnamed tributary to Burton Creek. The Project will plant native herbs and shrubs and a minimum of 274 trees, including: valley oak (*Quercus lobata*), coast live oak (*Quercus agrifolia*), gray pine (*Pinus sabiniana*), and flowering currant (*Ribes sanguineum*). The Permittee will monitor approximately 4.3 acres and 3,310 linear feet that were impacted by tree removal and tree trimming at Burton Creek and an unnamed tributary to Burton Creek, and implement additional restoration activities if trimmed trees do not survive.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Hess Persson Estates

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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Signature:  _____ Date: 11/15/2022

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