

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Culvert Crossing and Drainage Restoration (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement
EPIMS Notification No. BUT-33596-R2).

Project Location: The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Wyandotte Creek, in the County of Butte, State of California; Latitude 39.45233, Longitude -121.46135 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); Assessor’s Parcel Number [APN] 027-010-037.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-33596-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Duane Bird.

The project is limited to performing corrective actions on an unauthorized culvert crossing and restoration activities. Project activities will occur within and adjacent to an ephemeral, unnamed tributary to Wyandotte Creek. The crossing was installed prior to the issuance of the Agreement and consists of three, 30-foot long, 24-inch culverts and a 8-foot wide and 3-foot deep excavated pit at the culverts’ inlet. Activities authorized by this Agreement include stabilizing the culverts’ outlet, restoring the excavated inlet pit to its natural grade, restoring areas surrounding the inlet to their pre-project gradients, and restoration plantings. Re-establishment of the culvert inlet and surrounding areas shall be performed to restore the site hydrology and prevent a reduction in downstream flows due to impoundment. Additional excavation of material shall not occur within the bed, bank, or channel of the unnamed drainage beyond the re-establishment of the natural grade. Restoration plantings shall be planted along the unnamed tributary consistent with the measures of the Agreement.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: DUANE BIRD

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: Class 4 because the project consists of a minor alteration in the condition of the land and the project does not involve the removal of scenic trees.

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Signature: _____ Date: 4/10/2023
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