

Notice of Exemption

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From:
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Project Title: City of Yreka Maintenance Agreement (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2021-0082-R1)

Project Location (include county): Project activities will occur on Yreka Creek and tributaries to Yreka Creek located within the City of Yreka, in the County of Siskiyou, State of California. Larger tributaries include Greenhorn, Humbug and Juniper Creeks.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2021-0082-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to City of Yreka.

The project is limited to routine maintenance activities within City of Yreka owned properties. Routine maintenance activities are defined as those activities periodically scheduled and implemented as necessary to maintain the structural and functional integrity of existing public works facilities on, or affecting those reaches of, natural streams for which a notification of streambed alteration (Form FG 2023) would otherwise be required. Such routine maintenance activities are further described in Exhibit A – Covered Activities but in general include activities associated with maintaining, in an as-built condition, the free flowing passage of water through existing structures and maintaining the structural and functional integrity of existing paths, stream crossings, bank revetment sites, and levees.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Yreka

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301;** Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination.

Type – **Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304,** Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

Reasons why project is exempt: Routine maintenance to maintain the structural and functional integrity of existing public works facilities on, or affecting those reaches of, natural streams. There is no grading or trenching associated with this project. Healthy, mature, scenic trees will not be removed. Mature native trees will be pruned, but not removed.

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