

Notice of Exemption

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From:

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Project Title: Los Gatos Creek Restoration Plan (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCL-31058-R3)

Project Location (Santa Clara County): The Project is located within the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California. The coordinates for the approximate center of the project are 37.31227° N latitude and -121.9054° W longitude (NAD 83).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCL-31058-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Ecological Concerns Incorporated, as represented by Josh Fodor.

Non-native plant species will be removed along approximately 3,450 lineal feet and within 4.5 acres from both banks of Los Gatos Creek within a 10.6-acre section of mixed riparian woodland. Removal will be conducted using power equipment such as chainsaws and weedwhips, and hand tools such as loppers, shovels and hoes. The use of herbicides will be kept to a minimum using localized methods such as the cut-stump method and plant specific foliar spraying. Work activities and herbicide treatments will not occur within the wetted stream. Revegetation and monitoring will be performed according to the Habitat Restoration and Mitigation Monitoring Plan.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Ecological Concerns Incorporated

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (33) California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15333)

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project will restore the banks of Los Gatos Creek, including removal of non-native plant species and revegetation with native plants.

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