

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:**

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**From:**

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**Project Title:** Leiner Pond Outlet Maintenance and Remediation Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-35679-R1C)

**Project Location (Mendocino):** The project to be completed is located within the Burright Creek-East Fork Russian River watershed, approximately 2.5 miles east of the town of Potter Valley, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 15, Township 17N, Range 11W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Potter Valley U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 175-080-03; latitude 39.3264 N and longitude 123.0636 W.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-35679-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jerome Leiner.

The project is limited to one (1) encroachment. The encroachment is for monitoring and maintenance of an existing 18-inch diameter culvert pond outlet. The pond outlets to an unnamed tributary to Burright Creek. Water from the pond is not diverted for consumptive use, and is stored for fire protection. Work for this encroachment will include routine maintenance of the culvert to allow for unobstructed flow to the stream channel. If significant additional work is required, such as culvert replacement, a new notification or an amendment to this Agreement will be required.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Jerome Leiner

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Leiner Pond Outlet Maintenance and Remediation Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 because the project consists of the permitting, operation, and maintenance of an existing private structure (culvert outlet of a pond) that involves no expansion of existing or former use.

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