

Notice of Exemption

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Office of Planning and Research
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From:
Department of Fish and Wildlife
Central Region
1234 East Shaw Avenue
Fresno, California 93710



State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Mono Bear Siphon Repair Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-FRE-36372-R4).

Project Location: The Project is located within Chinquapin Creek, approximately 0.15 miles northwest of the intersection of Edison Lake Road and Kaiser Pass Road, approximately 54 miles northeast of the City of Fresno, Fresno County, State of California; Township 7 South, Range 27 East, Section 21, United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quad Mount Givens, MDB&M; Latitude 37.312370° North, Longitude -119.024424° West.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-FRE-36372-R4 pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the applicant, Southern California Edison.

Project activities include repair and stabilization of a 52-foot-long exposed portion of pipeline, associated with the Mono Bear Siphon, crossing Chinquapin Creek that was damaged by the Creek Fire.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project includes activities involved in the restoration of an existing structure, a steel pipeline associated with the Mono Bear Siphon, damaged by the Creek Fire. The Project will not result in an expansion of current use of the existing structure and will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-FRE-36372-R4.

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