

Notice of Exemption

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From:

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Project Title: JDSF Richardson Flume Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-31900-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino): The project to be completed is located within the Caspar Creek watershed, approximately 3.5 miles northeast of the Village of Mendocino, County of Mendocino, State of California. The project is located in Section 15, Township 17N, Range 17W, Mt Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Mathison Peak U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor’s Parcel Number 118-550-02-00; latitude 39.3339 N and longitude 123.7420 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-31900-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Fey Egan, Representing CAL FIRE – Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF).

The project is limited to one (1) encroachment. The encroachment is to install the Reid (REI) flume in the Richardson sub-watershed, tributary to South Fork Caspar Creek (RIC in Exhibit A). Work for the encroachment will include excavation of the banks and channel; installation of base rock and a steel sub-frame; concrete pier, foundation, and approach ramp form construction, pouring, and curing; installation of a flume and associated walls; sealing with bentonite clay; and backfilling and compaction of fill. All work will be performed using hand tools.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Fey Egan, Representing CAL FIRE – Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF)

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: The JDSF Richardson Flume Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304 because the project will require minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees. No heavy machinery will be used, and all work will be completed manually.

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