Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit

From:

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Project Title: Jewett Road PM 10.08 Culvert Replacement (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SON-18006-R3)

Project Location (Sonoma County): The project is located at an unnamed tributary to the Petaluma River, where the unnamed tributary crosses under Jewett Road approximately 0.1 miles north of the intersection of Pepper Road and Jewett Road. The project is located in an unincorporated area of the County of Sonoma, State of California; Latitude 38.284768°, Longitude -122.710064°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SON-18006-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department.

The project is limited to the removal of the existing twin 42-inch corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts that are failing and replacement with a 60-inch by 36-inch precast reinforced concrete box (RCB) culvert. The current culverts and proposed replacement culvert length are both 36-feet-long. The replacement culvert is sized for a 100-year storm. A trench will be cut through the pavement and road base to excavate the existing culverts, with equipment working from the roadway. The new culvert will then be placed in the trench in parts, assembled, and backfilled. Rock slope protection will be replaced within the existing footprint of the culvert to contain the backfilled material. All debris will be loaded onto dump trucks for disposal within a permitted and fully legal disposal site, and all excavation will occur within the existing culvert/road footprint. No exposed soils that could lead to future sources of sediment will remain following the completion of construction. Erosion control BMPs will be used and stored onsite. Dewatering of the site will be required if water is present at the site during project activities. All impacts from this project are temporary and will be located within the existing paved road prism.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

| Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department |
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| Exempt Status: |
| ☐ Statutory Exemption. |
| ☐ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302 |
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Reasons why project is exempt: Project consists of replacement of existing structures with the new structures will be located on the same site and have the same purpose as the structures being replaced.

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