

Notice of Exemption**- 1 -****To:**

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From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
 Region 1 - Northern
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1400 Tenth Street
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Project Title: Hat Creek Bank Stabilization and Erosion Control Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement, EPIMS-SHA-34830-R1I)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Hat Creek and the westside bank of an existing island within Hat Creek, a unique spring-fed, Class I fish-bearing stream in Shasta County, California; Latitude 40.809574, Longitude -121.505922; The project is accessible from street address 17983 Doty Road, Hat Creek, CA, 96040. Assessor's Parcel Number 031-190-003-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-SHA-34830-R1I, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code, to Marlene Marx.

The project is limited to the installation of approximately 40 linear feet of rip-rap rock slope protection (RSP) to stabilize an eroding embankment on an island within Hat Creek, and the stabilization of an existing gully that is causing scour at the eastside concrete wingwall of the island's existing diversion infrastructure by adding approximately 1600 cubic feet of fill and willow stakes (Project).

RSP, with a rock-stabilized toe, will be placed from the eastside concrete wingwall of the diversion infrastructure to the southern end of the island. Willow poles will be planted within the RSP along the stabilized bank line. A small, clean excavator will be used to place the RSP and fill from the west side of Hat Creek. If the excavator is unable to reach the entirety of the bank line, the contractor will build a rock platform using clean gravel sized appropriately for local trout spawning. Gravel will be dispersed after the platform is no longer in use, to create additional spawning substrate for trout.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Marlene Marx


Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – **Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301**, Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project is intended to maintain and stabilize existing agricultural diversion infrastructure to prevent failure that was threatening to occur due to erosion. Minor alteration of existing private structures involving negligible or no expansion of use is expected to occur.

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