Notice of Exemption

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From:

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Project Title: TD1684080 Crooked-Rock Creek Marsh Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (Notification of Lake and Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MOO-34565-R6).

Project Location (Mono County): The project is located in wetlands associated with Crooked Creek and Rock Creek, tributaries to Crowley Lake. The site is approximately 0.30 miles northeast of Aspen Springs in Mono County, State of California; Pole 1854185E: Latitude 37.563356, Longitude -118.695019; Pole 1854187E: Latitude 37.563887, Longitude -118.694830.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MOO-34565-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The project is limited to removing two existing poles and installing two new poles (Poles 1854185E and 1854187E) located 1-foot north of the old pole and in the same hole as the existing pole, respectively. The poles will be accessed by foot and set by truck. Staging will occur along the adjacent road named Rainbow Tarns Road.

Project activities described above are anticipated to temporarily impact 0.01 acres (40 linear feet) of resources subject to Fish and Game Code section 1602. No vegetation trimming or removal will take place.

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: Class 1, section 15301; The project is exempt because it includes the maintenance and repair of existing structures used to provide electric power. In addition, the Project will involve testoring deteriorated structures. All work will be performed with mechanical equipment.
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