Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Mascanna Inc. Cultivation (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. CAL-44490-R2)

Project Location: The project is located in two unnamed tributaries to McKinney Creek, in the County of Calaveras, State of California; Latitude 38.225957°, Longitude -120.500177° (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); or 199 McKinney Diggins Road, Mountain Ranch, CA, 95246; or Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 036-008-147-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number CAL-44490-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Rodrigo Mascarenhas.

The project is limited to the earthwork preparation for construction of an access road and the installation of two 12-inch culverts in unnamed tributaries to McKinney Creek used for a cannabis cultivation. Energy dissipating rock slope protection (RSP) will be placed at the inlets and outlets of each culvert where necessary to reduce the potential for erosion. All in-stream construction activities will occur while the existing tributaries are dry.

Public Agency Approving Project: <u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE</u>

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Rodrigo Mascarenhas

Exempt Status:

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the minor trenching and backfilling of two 12-inch culvert installations in an intermittent stream where the surface is restored and does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees.

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Signature: _Jennifer Garcia_   Date: 1/12/2024

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