

Notice of Exemption

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Office of Planning and Research
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From:
Department of Fish and Wildlife
Region 1 - Northern
601 Locust Street
Redding, California 96001



Project Title: Garcia Stream Restoration (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS TRI-39328-R1)

Project Location (Trinity): The project is located at 10350 Long Ridge Road, Zenia, CA in Trinity County; Assessor's Parcel Number 022-110-020-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS TRI-39328-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Mario Garcia.

This project has been proposed to remediate violations connected to cannabis cultivation as documented by CDFW. The Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement includes six projects as follows: removal of unauthorized fill materials and restoration of unnamed streams tributary to Gypsy Creek, recontouring disturbed stream channel segments to match existing channel conditions upstream and downstream to the maximum extent feasible, road improvements (e.g., rocked ford crossings) and/or decommissioning to reduce/minimize sediment transport, rock armoring and cleaning a culvert to ensure proper functionality, rock armoring of pond spillway and installation of a wildlife ramp to reduce wildlife entrapment, and the proper disposal or storage of all refuse and potting soil within the stream buffer.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mr. Mario Garcia

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
 Categorical Exemption.

Class 8; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15308. Actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment.

Reasons why project is exempt: The projects are a result of an enforcement action and necessary to protect the environment by eliminating the present and potential adverse impacts to the stream and fish and wildlife resources.

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Signature:

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