## **Notice of Exemption**

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Department of Fish and Wildlife 1701 Nimbus Road Rancho Cordova, CA 95670



**Project Title:** New York Creek Flood Management Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0297-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located within the El Dorado Hills boundaries, covering approximately 2.5 miles of New York Creek. The project occurs within Section 11, Township 9N, Range 9E of the 'Clarksville' USGS quadrangle. The segment of New Nork Creek that will be subject to maintenance activities stretches from the bridge at Harvard Way to a point approximately 0.2 miles south of Green Valley Road.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife executed the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0297-R2 on February 12, 2019, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the El Dorado Hills Community Services District.

The project includes extending the expiration date of the agreement from February 12, 2024, to February 12, 2029. The project activities are limited to those activities necessary to maintain the capacity of New York Creek and include the following:

- Limbing and/or trimming branches and tree limbs
- Removing fallen trees
- Removing dead (not dormant) trees and shrubs, leaving stumps intact
- Removing overgrown vegetation from the stream bed, banks, and channel using nonmotorized hand tools and mechanical vegetation cutters, string trimmers, and chainsaws
- Removing trash and debris from the stream channel

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

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: El Dorado Hills Community Services District

## **Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301(h)

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**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project consists of the routine maintenance of native growth within an existing topographical feature and does not expand use beyond its current function.

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