

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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County Clerk

County of: Marin

3501 Civic Center Drive #234

San Rafael, CA 94903


From: (Public Agency): City of Mill Valley Department of Public Works
26 Corte Madera Avenue
Mill Valley, CA 94941

(Address)

Project Title: Cascade Drive Box Culvert and Retaining Wall Repair

Project Applicant: City of Mill Valley Department of Public Works

Project Location - Specific:

The 0.13-acre project site is located at the intersection of Old Mill Creek and Cascade 

Project Location - City: Mill Valley Project Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project includes repairs to a retaining wall and concrete box culvert below Cascade Drive. The existing box culvert and retaining wall have deteriorated over time and could result in failure which could cause impacts to Old Mill Creek and/or loss of access by residents along Cascade Drive. The project would repair the existing retaining wall and concrete box culvert which would prevent collapse of the structures. The project will result in a net benefit to the Old Mill Creek perennial stream habitat because it will support the continuity and flow of water, sediment, and organic materials and prevent unstable bed and bank conditions. The project would also remove treated timber piles, which would result in a net reduction of fill within the stream.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Mill Valley Department of Public Works

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Mill Valley Department of Public Works

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:


The project would repair an existing retaining wall and concrete box culvert along Cascade Drive. The project is consistent with Section 15301(d), which applies to "restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, unless it is determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as an earthquake, landslide, or flood." The existing structures have deteriorated over time and were not damaged due to an environmental hazard. The project would repair and rehabilitate the retaining wall and culvert with no expansion of the existing use.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Calvin Gee Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (415) 384-4755

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 3/5/2024 Title: Project Manager

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____