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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

### California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**From:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Central Valley Region, Redding Office  
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205  
Redding, CA 96002

**Date:** 12 March 2024

**Project Title:**

Lake Siskiyou Hand-Carry Paddle Craft Ramp Project  
(Project)

**Project Location - Specific:**

Address: Mt. Shasta, CA 96067  
Section 29, Township 40 North, Range 04 West, MDB&M.  
Latitude: 41.2822° and Longitude: -122.3287°

**Project Location - County:**

Siskiyou County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The proposed project would include regrading of a short section of an old deteriorating roadbed that leads from an existing parking area and trailhead along W.A. Barr Road to the shore of Lake Siskiyou. Construction will include the placement of boulders and cobbles above and below the ordinary high-water mark of Lake Siskiyou to return the shoreline to a gently sloping ramp that allows hand-carry paddle crafts a safe place to launch. The project will take place when lake levels are at their lowest, and no dewatering will be required.

**Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:**

**Federal Agencies:** The project requires authorization under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Clean Water Act Section 404.

**State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification:**  
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Office.  
WDID No. 5A47CR00064.

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

Tom Hesseldenz  
Mt. Shasta Trail Association  
P.O. Box 202  
Mt. Shasta, CA 96067

**Exempt Status:**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14, article 19, section 15301, Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

**Reasons why Project is Exempt:**

This project is categorically exempt under CEQA section 15301 because the project involves maintenance activities to repair existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

**Federal Lead Agency Contact Person:**

Kasey Sirkin  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco(707) 443-0855

**State Lead Agency Contact Person:**

Lynn Coster, Senior Environmental Scientist  
Chief Storm Water and Water Quality Certification Unit  
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Redding Branch Office  
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** Senior Environmental Scientist

cc: Tom Hesseldenz, Mt. Shasta Trail Association, Mt. Shasta  
Sabrina Rouse, ENPLAN, Redding  
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Kate Blanchard, California Department of Fish & Wildlife, Redding