Notice of Exemption

To:

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Project Title: North Paddy Creek Restoration (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. SJN-43917-R2)

Project Location: The project is located in an unnamed tributary to Paddy Creek, in the County of San Joaquin, State of California; Latitude 38.132433, Longitude -121.066674 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); Assessor's Parcel Number 053-190-020-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number SJN-43917-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Boething Treeland Farms, Inc. as represented by Peter Van horenbeeck.

The project includes the restoration of approximately 1,600 linear feet of North Paddy Creek. The restoration will involve excavation of accumulated sediment from the channel, filling approximately 250 linear feet of a constructed bypass channel, removal of invasive plant species, and removal and replacement of an existing culvert crossing.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Boething Treeland Farms, Inc.

Exempt Status:

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt under section 15304, because it involves minor alterations to land that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. The project is exempt under section 15333, because it involves the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife that does not exceed five (5) acres.