

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Shasta

1450 Court St. #108

Redding, CA 96001

From: (Public Agency): Western Shasta Resource Conservation District
6270 Parallel Road
Anderson, CA 96007

(Address)

Project Title: Cook and Butcher Diversion Pump Station Project

Project Applicant: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

North Cow Creek - Latitude: 40°37'32.36"N , Longitude: -122°13'20.59"W

Project Location - City: Palo Cedro / Bella Vista Project Location - County: Shasta

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will construct a screened pump station approximately 1-mile downstream of the current Cook and Butcher Diversion Dam in North (Little) Cow Creek. The project will install approximately 1,400 feet of buried 24-inch pipe to convey the pumped water to the existing Cook and Butcher Ditch. Stream bank restoration and fortification upstream of the pump intake will also be implemented. The existing unscreened intake at the Cook and Butcher Dam will be filled in and the entrainment of aquatic species in the Cook and Butcher Ditch will no longer be a possibility.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Ross Perry, Project Manager

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: 14 CCR § 15333. Small Habitat Restoration Projects
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

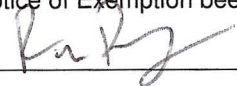
Reasons why project is exempt:

The project's impact will be less than five acres (approximately 3.5 acres) and less than 500 linear feet of stream bank; the goal of the project is to improve fisheries habitat in North Cow Creek by moving the diversion point downstream to a screened facility that will meet state and federal screening criteria. There will be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or cultural resources; there are no hazardous materials at or around the project area that will be disturbed or removed; the project will be completed during the dry summer season in accordance to CDFW and NOAA Fisheries guidelines.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Ross Perry Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 776-9420

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: 3/27/24 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: _____