

Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research
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From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
Region 1 – Northern
601 Locust Street
Redding, California 96001



Project Title: Fox Property Water Diversion Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SIS-47105-R1)

Project Location (Siskiyou): The project is located at Sugar Creek, tributary to Scott River in the County of Siskiyou, State of California; Section 12, Township 40N, Range 9W; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Callahan, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian; Latitude 41.33583, Longitude -122.82702 Decimal Degrees; 420 Sugar Creek Road, Callahan, CA 96014; Assessor’s Parcel Number 031-020-290-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SIS-47105-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Dana Fox.

The project is limited to the diversion of water from Sugar Creek at a single point of diversion via a portable pump with screen for domestic use and operation and maintenance of this diversion. The Permittee has water rights pursuant to Decree #30662 of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Siskiyou judgement for Scott River. The Permittee uses a maximum of 15.5 gpm or 500 gpd from April 15 to October 25 for domestic use. The Permittee is in compliance with the SWRCB Division of Water Rights under ID# SO27410. The portable water pump is located on the nearby elevated bank, and a hose connected to the water pump leads to the appropriately-sized fish screen in a pool within Sugar Creek. Minimal hand tool work may occur to remove sediment and/or remove dead or trim live vegetation and/or sediment that is impacting the fish screen intake.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Dana Fox (Permittee)

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

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 use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is the annual maintenance of an existing water diversion structure and the diversion of water from French Creek pursuant to their lawful water right. There will be no removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees as a result of this project. The project will have no significant effect on the environment.

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