

Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Hopper/Watson Water Diversion Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-46212-R1C)

Project Location: The Project to be completed is located in the Russian River watershed, approximately 1.4 miles east of the City of Ukiah, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 21, T15N, R12W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Ukiah U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor’s Parcel Number (APN) 179-100-03; latitude 39.1528 and longitude -123.1830 at point of diversion #1 (POD; Hopper) and APN 171-151-03; Latitude 39.1517 and Longitude -123.1818 at POD #2 (Watson), for use on APNs 179-100-02, 179-100-03, 179-141-06, 179-141-07, and 179-151-03.

Project Description: The Project is limited to two encroachments. The encroachments are for water diversion from the Russian River. Water is diverted for frost protection and irrigation. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure including excavation of stream gravels to channel water to POD #1 (Hopper).

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

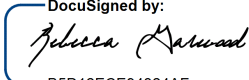
Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: John Thomas

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the operation, repair, and maintenance of an existing structure. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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