

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Clear Creek Bridge Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCR-28633-R3)

Project Location (Santa Cruz): The Clear Creek Project (Project) is located at 11766 Clear Creek Road, Brookdale, Santa Cruz County, California. The Project site can be located using the following information: Latitude 37.105397°N, Longitude -122.113846°W; Assessor’s Parcel Number 079-151-44.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCR-28633-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Kirsten Flynn.

The Project is limited to removal of burned infrastructure and installation of a new replacement bridge over Clear Creek. In 2020, the CZU Fire Complex destroyed an existing 10-foot wide wood beam and wood decked bridge, which was used to access a single family residence. Remnants of the destroyed bridge and its foundations will be removed in its entirety before construction on the new bridge commences. The new bridge will be 25-feet long by 20 feet wide, and will be supported by steel beams with a weight limit of 25 tons. A portion of Clear Creek will be temporarily dewatered to accommodate construction activities and access.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Kirsten Flynn

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. 15269 (b) & 15269 (c)
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1-33); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301-15333)

Reasons why project is exempt: 15269 (b). Emergency repairs to privately owned facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety and welfare. 15269 (c). Projects to maintain, repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or facilities damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster in a disaster stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code.

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