

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Jones Bank Stabilization (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SON-45190-R3)

Project Location (Sonoma County): The project is located at the Russian River, in the County of Sonoma, State of California; Latitude 38.51554°, Longitude -122.98215°; 14965 River Road, Guerneville, CA, 95462; Assessor's Parcel Number 070-160-036.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SON-45190-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Kelder Engineering as represented by Kurt Kelder.

The project is limited to the biotechnical stabilization and revegetation of an eroding bank along the Russian River. The project will require stabilization of approximately 180 linear feet of the bank of the Russian River using rock riprap and interplanted with willow (*Salix* sp.) stakes. The project will result in 1,980 square feet of permanent impact to riparian habitat and no temporary impacts to riparian habitat. Approximately 360 square feet of open water habitat will be temporarily impacted during the placement of a boulder keyway. Four riparian trees will be removed as part of this project. Access and staging will occur via an existing driveway and developed backyard.

Construction of the vegetated rock riprap bank protection will require work in the flowing water of the Russian River. A turbidity curtain will be used to prevent sediment from exiting the site. All equipment will be operated from dry land, but the bucket of an excavator may contact the live stream to place key boulders of the bank stabilization structure within the surface water for the Russian River.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Kurt Kelder

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – 4; Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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