

# Notice of Exemption

# Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency): CA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife  
601 Locust St.  
Redding CA, 96001

County Clerk  
County of: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Address)

Project Title: Battle Creek Floodplain Enhancement

Project Applicant: California Trout

Project Location - Specific:

**Battle Creek Wildlife Area: 23999 Coleman Fish Hatchery Rd, Anderson, CA 96007**

Project Location - City: Anderson, CA Project Location - County: Tehama

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

CDFW grant awarded to California Trout (award Q2396001) to enhance existing wetland complex for greater aquatic connectivity to Battle Creek. This project will promote the production of wetland aquatic invertebrates and efficient export of wetland water and invertebrates to Battle Creek to support juvenile Chinook salmon rearing. Infrastructure improvements will also increase management capacity to provide waterfowl habitat in ponds.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Cal Trout

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: CEQA § 15301 (i), and § 15304 (d)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

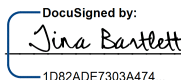
Reasons why project is exempt:

Project involves negligible expansion of wetland complex and use. Wetland pond footprint will remain the same. Public access trails will remain the same. Project consists of maintaining, replacing, and/or enhancing existing wetland water control structures and minor re-grading of wetland ponds for more efficient drainage to Battle Creek. See attachments for more info.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Steve Burton Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 340-0104

**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: 7/11/2024 Title: Regional 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: \_\_\_\_\_