

RESOLUTION 24-002

RESOLUTION OF THE SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (SVRCD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING NOTICE OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15333: SMALL HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECTS FOR GRANT AGREEMENT Q2396033 WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE.

WHEREAS, the Meamber Fish Screen Project, has been approved by the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District Board of Directors (“Board”); and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to consider the potential environmental effects of any project; and

WHEREAS, the project actions consist of replacement of a deficient fish screen at the Montague-Grenada Road, Hull property, and

WHEREAS, the project will allow the existing tube screen to be replaced to improve fish passage of juvenile and adult salmonids upstream during critical flow periods. The project will not involve expansion of capacity in any way; and

WHEREAS, the SVRCD Board has analyzed the project actions and determined that the activity in question is exempt from CEQA under Article 19, Sections 15333 of the CEQA Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the SVRCD in session assembled on July 17, 2024, based on the evidence presented, both written and oral, hereby adopts the Notice of Exemption for the modification of the Meamber Fish Screen. The project includes work that is funded by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. This determination is based on the following findings and for the following reasons:

- 1. Based on the entire record, the SVRCD Board of Directors finds that the project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15333, for Categorical Exemption as the project entails existing structures and small habitat restoration.*
- 2. The environmental assessment reflects the independent judgement and analysis of the lead agency.*

Based on review of the project actions and information provided to the Board of Directors by the SVRCD staff, the Board of Directors has made an informed and independent determination that the project is considered alteration of existing facilities and will involve small habitat restoration and that the project does not involve expansion of capacity in any way, and therefore is Categorically Exempt from CEQA.

- 3. The staff of the SVRCD is hereby directed to promptly file a Notice of Exemption.*

The staff of SVRCD shall file a Notice of Exemption with the Siskiyou County Clerk.

4. *Board of Directors of the SVRCD hereby authorizes the District Administrator to execute the Notice of Exemption on behalf of the SVRCD.*

5. *The custodian of the records for this matter is the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, Rod Dowse, 215 Executive Ct., Suite A, Yreka, CA 96097.*

This resolution was PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of July 2024.

AYES: 3; Walker, Hirt, Perkins

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1; Luiz



Ryan Walker, Chair

Shasta Valley RCD Board of Directors



ATTEST: _____

Rod Dowse, SVRCD District Manager