

## Notice of Exemption

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**From:**

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**Project Title:** Spunky Canyon Creek Flume Maintenance Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement, No. 1600-2020-0165-R5)

**Project Location (Los Angeles County):** The Project is located in an unnamed drainage to Bouquet Reservoir in Spunky Canyon, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, Latitude 34.595353N, Longitude -118.383872W; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 3243-002-302.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has amended Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0165-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

The Project is limited to the trimming of vegetation and removal of sediment from an existing access road and flume structure. Vegetation along the access road will be trimmed using hand tools. The access road will be graded to even the road surface and fill eroded features. Vegetation surrounding the flume, forebay, and tailbay will be trimmed and removed to maintain access the structure in a 50-foot by 10-foot area. In the same 50-foot by 10-foot area, built-up sediment and debris will be removed using a mini excavator and dump truck. Invasive vegetation and any trash on site will be removed and properly disposed of offsite. The Project will temporarily impact 0.0405 acres of streambed from the removal of vegetation and sediment. This Amendment includes additional minimization measures to allow work during avian nesting season. Additionally, measures were amended to allow hand crews to operate within wetted stream areas with hand tools.

**Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER**

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 1 addresses operation, maintenance, repair, or minor alteration of existing facilities or topographical features. Included in this exemption is the maintenance of existing public structures involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The grading of the road will maintain an existing road and not expand use. The removal of vegetation and sediment will not expand use of the existing flume structure. This Amendment does not change Project scope or impacts.

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