

Notice of Exemption

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From:

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Project Title: Slovut Stream Crossing Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-53362-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino): The Project to be completed is located within the Upper Eel River watershed, approximately 10.7 miles northwest of the town of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 1, Township 19N, Range 15W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Longvale U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor’s Parcel Number 015-280-55; latitude 39.532991 N and longitude 123.473824 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-53362-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Josephine Slovut, representing Mendocino County Department of Transportation (MCDOT).

The Project is limited to one (1) encroachment to replace an existing 54-inch diameter by 40-foot-long culvert with a 72-inch wide by 48-inch high by 40-foot-long arch-pipe culvert (60-inch diameter equivalent) with concrete headwalls at the inlet and outlet. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the existing culvert, replacement with a new properly sized culvert, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Josephine Slovut, representing MCDOT

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. Types – Class 2 and Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15302 and 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The Slovut Stream Crossing Project (Project) meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302 because the project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures. The new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. The Project also meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304 because it consist of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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