

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Panoche Creek River Intake Removal (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MAD-41552-R4)

Project Location: The Project is located in the San Joaquin River, approximately 0.2 mile west of Highway 41 and 1.5 miles south of the intersection of Cobb Ranch Road with Avenue 9, adjacent to North Palm Avenue; Madera County, State of California; USGS Quad Map Lanes Bridge; GPS Coordinates, Latitude 36.87620, Longitude -119.79654.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MAD-41552-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Applicant, Panoche Creek River Ranch.

The Project includes activities related to the restoration of an area previously disturbed without notification pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602. Activities include the removal of materials and structures associated with a water intake structure, pump, and pipeline.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

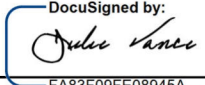
Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Panoche Creek River Ranch

Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: Project activities will result in minor alterations to public land that includes trenching and backfilling. No mature, scenic trees will be removed and no significant environmental impacts are anticipated if the Project is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MAD-41552-R4

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