

Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Rock Van Duzen Streambank Enhancement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-53957-R1)

Project Location: The Project is located within the Van Duzen River watershed, approximately 1/2 mile south of the town of Alton, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 23, T2N, R1W, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Fortuna U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 201-262-012 and 201-311-012; latitude 40.539 N and longitude 124.143 W.

Project Description: The Project is limited to one encroachment to install bioengineered habitat enhancements along a recently-scoured riverbank. Work for this encroachment will include: retaining and enhancing existing wood features; installing new wood and rock features; removing existing debris and rubbish; planting native willows; relocating an existing gravel pile; and decommissioning an existing road.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Leland Rock

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 33; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15333

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of stream or river bank stabilization with native vegetation or other bioengineering techniques, the purposes of which are to reduce or eliminate erosion and sedimentation, revegetate disturbed areas with native vegetation, and restore or enhance habitat for amphibians or native fish. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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