

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Clover Creek Hitch Habitat Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. LAK-42801-R2)

Project Location: The Project is located in Clover Creek diversion channel, tributary to Middle Creek, in the County of Lake, State of California; Latitude 39.176077, Longitude - 122.90759; between Elk Mountain Road and the confluence of Clover Creek with Middle Creek; Assessor's Parcel Number 004-003-027-000. The Project is located approximately 1.3 miles north of the community of Upper Lake.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number LAK-42801-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Lake County Water Resources Department, as represented by Angela DePalma-Dow.

The Project is limited to the removal of 0.7 acres of sediment and 2.2 acres of invasive vegetative species and installation of 500 linear feet of rock slop protection and revegetation with native species within Clover Creek to support flows and improve Clear Lake hitch (*Lavinia exilicauda chi*) habitat. Potential maintenance would include activities such as reseeding, replacement plantings, fertilizing/mulching areas to improve plant growth, and weeding.

Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Lake County Water Resources Department

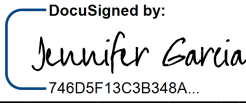
Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 33); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15333.

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Reasons why project is exempt: The project qualifies for Class 33 because it is a project not exceeding five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.

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Signature:  _____ **Date:** 10/8/2024

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