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Project Title: Noutru Stream Crossing Upgrades and Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-TRI-43775-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project to be completed is located within the Lamb Creek watershed, approximately 1.12 miles northeast of the town of Mad River, County of Trinity, State of California. The project is located in sections 15 and 22, T1N, R6E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Sportshaven U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor’s Parcel Number 018-040-002 and 018-040-001; latitude 40.45732 N and longitude 123.48961 W at project “Site 1”.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-TRI-43775-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Povang Noutru.

The project is limited to six encroachments. Three encroachments are to upgrade existing culverts at stream crossings. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, culvert removal and replacement with new properly sized and aligned culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion. One encroachment is to decommission an existing failed culvert stream crossing. Work will include excavation, culvert removal, reconstruction of the bed and banks of the stream and erosion control. One project is to restore ~100 feet of stream channel involving the removal of fill and reconstruction of the bed and banks. The other encroachment is to remove and dispose of or relocate any and all remaining diversion infrastructure associated with unpermitted surface water diversions described in two notices of violation.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Povang Noutru

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 and Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 and 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project will permit remediation and upgrading existing but unpermitted stream crossings and decommissioning unpermitted water diversions, involving minor alterations to land. The authorized work is associated with resolution of two CDFW notices of violation associated with illicit cannabis cultivation activities documented on June 30, 2022, and September 9, 2022. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 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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