

## Notice of Exemption

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**Project Title:** Gonzales Stream Crossing Maintenance Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-53582-R1C)

**Project Location (Mendocino):** Eel River watershed, approximately 2.8 miles north of the town of Covelo, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 19, T 23N, R 12W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Covelo East U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 032-160-12; latitude 39.8330 N and longitude 123.2458 W at the stream crossing (SC-1).

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-53582-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Juan Gonzales.

The Project is limited to one encroachment. The proposed encroachment is to perform maintenance on existing stream crossing. Work for this encroachment will include maintenance activities such as seasonally clearing the inlet and outlet of debris and sediment, rocking the road approaches, and adding rock armoring over exposed fill.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Juan Gonzales

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Gonzales Stream Crossing Maintenance Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 1, California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 because the project involves maintenance and minor alteration of a stream crossing culvert in an existing location. The project involves negligible or no expansion of the existing use.

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