

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: 220 Riverside Avenue Bank Stabilization Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCR-50405-R3)

Project Location (Santa Cruz): The Project is located at the San Lorenzo River, accessed from 220 Riverside Avenue, Ben Lomond, in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California; Latitude 37.08766, Longitude -122.08570; Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 077-172-11.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCR-50405-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Tim Liebenthal.

In 2022 and 2023, heavy storms caused a landslide on the banks of the San Lorenzo River, immediately behind a single-family home. A 58-foot (ft) long section of a gabion basket wall failed during this period. The purpose of the Project is to stabilize the bank adjacent to the river to protect the property from further erosion. The Project is limited to removing the failed retaining wall and implementing vegetated rock slope protection (RSP) to stabilize the bank.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Tim Liebenthal

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. 15269 (b)(c)
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1-33); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301-15333)

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project includes repairs to privately owned facilities damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster in a disaster-stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code.

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