

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Stetson Road PM 0.18 Storm Damage Repair Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCR-50983-R3)

Project Location (Santa Cruz): The Project is located below Stetson Road at Post Mile 0.18 on Amaya Creek, in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California; GPS Latitude 37.101952 and Longitude -121.922994; Assessor's Parcel Number 074-480-010.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCR-50983-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Santa Cruz County - Department of Public Works as represented by Joel LaCagnina.

The Project involves replacing a failed 4-foot culvert below Stetson Road at Post Mile 0.18 on Amaya Creek in Santa Cruz County. The Project notification proposes replacing a failed culvert with the same size culvert. High storm flows in winter 2023 led to the collapse of the culvert, crib wall, and failure of the slope above the outlet at stream level. Permittee will replace the existing culvert and headwall, restore the roadway embankment, and place rock rip-rap at the culvert inlet and outlet. Additionally, areas onsite will be replanted with native plants.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Cruz County - Department of Public Works

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 restore or replace public roadways and associated infrastructure necessary to maintain services essential to the public health, safety, and welfare, and specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate additional emergencies 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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