

Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Etter Subdivision Water Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-57490-R1C)

Project Location: The Project to be completed is located within the Mattole River watershed, approximately 1/2 mile west of the town of Honeydew, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 1, T03S, R01W, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Shubrick Peak U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor’s Parcel Number 107-102-016; latitude 40.2426, longitude -124.1307 at the point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The Project is limited to one encroachment. The encroachment is for water diversion from the Mattole River. Water is diverted from the Mattole River by a water drafting pump tanker truck and is limited to a maximum diversion rate of 400 gallons per minute. Water is diverted for dust abatement, road construction, and fire suppression. Work for the water diversion will include use of a screen compliant with CDFW Fish Screen Criteria and is subject to minimum streamflow conditions prior to diversion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE


Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mary Etter

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304, Minor alteration in the condition of land and water.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor grading of an access road to a gravel bar and the temporary placement of CDFW Fish Screen Criteria compliant diversion intake. The project proponent has agreed to implement a diversion schedule that excludes diversion when streamflow in the Mattole River as measured at the Ettersburg gage is less than 7 Cubic Feet per Second. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §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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