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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Fire Fuels Reduction and Trash Clean-Up (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SHA-54794-R1)

Project Location (Shasta): The project is located on various City of Redding properties located adjacent to the Sacramento River and its tributaries in Shasta County.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SHA-54794-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Redding, as represented by Amber Kelley.

The project is limited to activities associated with a city-wide fuels reduction and trash clean-up project, with the purpose to protect the health and safety of the public and to protect and restore ecosystems on natural lands to provide climate change adaptation and resilience for wildlife.

The initial industrial scale effort will require the use of small, mechanized equipment to remove large quantities of trash and refuse that has been illegally dumped on public land. The second step will remove “hazardous” riparian vegetation to lower the potential for fire in the wildland-urban interface. Work will include understory thinning and tree trimming to create and maintain shaded fuel breaks, as well as removal of dead trees and invasive species.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption

Categorical Exemption. Type – Type – **Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304**, Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

Reasons why project is exempt: Existing open space areas will be cleaned up and potential fuel sources will be removed to lower the potential for fire in the wildland-urban interface. Mature healthy trees will be trimmed and protected. The project will not have significant effects on the environment.

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