

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Westfall Retaining Wall Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCR-51391-R3)

Project Location (Santa Cruz): The Project is located at 3200 Mulberry Drive, City of Soquel, in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California; Latitude 36.98997, Longitude -121.93659; Assessor's Parcel Number 037-311-11.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCR-51391-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sholeh Shahadi Westfall.

In 2023, heavy storms caused a landslide on the banks of an unnamed tributary to Soquel Creek, immediately behind a single-family home. The purpose of the Project is to stabilize the bank adjacent to the creek to protect the property from further erosion. The Project is limited to the installation of a 60-foot (ft) long drilled pier retaining wall in the eroded area and deck on top of the wall.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Sholeh Shahadi Westfall

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 involves (b) Emergency repairs to privately owned facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety, and welfare. (c) Projects to maintain, repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or 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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