

**Notice of Exemption**

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**From:**  
Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Central Region  
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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A

**Project Title:** Routine Maintenance of Fresno County Stream Group Project (Extension to Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2004-0137-R4).

**Project Location:** The Project will occur within the following streams in Fresno County: Big Dry Creek, Big Dry Creek Reservoir, Dog Creek, Pup Creek, Pup Creek Detention Basin, Alluvial Drain, Alluvial Drain Detention Basin, Redbank Creek, Redbank Creek Reservoir, Redbank Creek Detention Basin, Fancher Creek, Fancher Creek Reservoir, Fancher Creek Detention Basin, Mud Creek, Sales Creek, Hog Creek, Greys Creek, Vernon Creek, and Unnamed Streams.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed an Extension to Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2004-0137-R4, issued to Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District.

The Project involves activities related to regular and reoccurring sediment and vegetation management and removal activities in order to facilitate flows and reduce the risk of flooding in Fresno County. The Extension extends the expiration date of the Agreement to March 22, 2023.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project involves routine maintenance to flood conveyance features within Fresno County. The Project is not intended to result in an expansion beyond the existing use of the water bodies where maintenance activities will occur. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2004-0137-R4.

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