

**Notice of Exemption****To:**

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**From:**

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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A

**Project Title:** Newell Creek Access Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0051-R3)

**Project Location:** The project is located at Newell Creek, a tributary to the San Lorenzo River, in the County of Santa Cruz, State of California; Latitude 37.096726, Longitude -122.073034 or Section 3, Township 10S, Range 2W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Felton.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0051-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Santa Cruz.

The City of Santa Cruz uses a bridge (Newell Creek Access Road Bridge) to gain access to Newell Creek Dam and Loch Lomond Reservoir. The bridge spans Newell Creek and is supported by two in-stream piers and two abutments. In 2018, the City discovered that the foundation for pier 1 was partially exposed and the footing has been scoured. The proposed project will make repairs to the pier footing to prevent further scour.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** The City of Santa Cruz

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption.

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

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project will make repairs to an existing facility, in this case an existing bridge.

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