## **Notice of Exemption**

To:

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Department of Fish and Wildlife Central Region 1234 East Shaw Avenue Fresno, California 93710



State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

**Project Title:** SCE Florence Boat Ramp Rehabilitation Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No.1600-2019-0093-R4).

Project Location: The Project is located along the edge of Florence Lake, approximately 600 feet southwest of the west end of Florence Dam in unincorporated Fresno County, State of California; Section 36, Township 7 South, Range 27 East, United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 Minute Quad Map Florence Lake, MDB&M; Top of the ramp: Latitude 37.2761081 North, Longitude -118.9741296 West; Bottom of the ramp: Latitude 37.2752582 North, Longitude: -118.9737427 West.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0093-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The Project includes activities related to the rehabilitation of Florence Lake Boat Ramp, one of three recreation facilities to be rehabilitated as part of the Settlement Agreement and U.S. Department of Agriculture - Forest Service (USDA-FS) 4(e) conditions developed during the Big Creek Alternative Licensing Process (ALP). The rehabilitation work is being implemented in advance of relicensing by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for FERC Project No. 67 under the Big Creek ALP. Rehabilitation will consist of excavation, recompacting and reapplying gravel to the boat ramp.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison

Exempt 8	Status:			
	Statutory Exemption			
$\boxtimes$	Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 (b); California Code of Regulations.	, title 14,	section	15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project includes the maintenance of an existing facility of a publicly-owned utility used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services with no expansion of use. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0093-R4.

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