

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:**

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**Project Title:** Stewart Mine Road Emergency Culvert Replacement (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0196-R2)

**Project Location:** The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Kelsey Creek, in the County of El Dorado, State of California; Latitude 38.7970°, Longitude -120.8376°; Section 14, Township 11N, Range 10E, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map 'Garden Valley', Mount Diablo base and meridian

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0196-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sierra Pacific Geology, as represented by Thomas E. Koler.

The project is limited to replacing a failed 22-inch culvert made of old oil drums welded together with a new 36-inch open bottom arch corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culvert. The project would be implemented in the following order:

1. The road base and asphalt currently covering the failed culvert would be removed.
2. The fill material around the failed culvert would be excavated.
3. The failed culvert would be removed from the channel.
4. The channel would be widened to accommodate the 36-inch CMP.
5. The CMP would be installed on grade with the channel.
6. Native fill material would be backfilled around the CMP.
7. Rock armor would be installed at the inlet and outlet of the new culvert.

Up to five native oak trees may be removed to allow access to the project site.

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

**Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project:** Sierra Pacific Geology

**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 (Existing Facilities); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 (c) and (d)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is exempt under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301(c) and (d) because it consists of maintenance of an existing road in the form of replacement of a failed culvert pipe. The project involves no expansion of the existing use of the road and culvert.

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