

Notice of Exemption

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From: North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Project Title: 2017 Storm Damage, Bell Springs Road, CR 324, M.P. 3.50 Project
Project Location - Specific: Bell Springs Road, CR 324, M.P. 3.50, Laytonville, CA

Project Location - City: Santa Rosa

Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Project The Project will repair portions of Bell Springs Road damaged during the heavy rains experienced in the winter of 2017. Heavy storms saturated the road surface and embankment resulting in a slip-out that will likely continue to erode. The Project will install a soldier pile wall located along the outboard edge of the western road approaches that would not impact the watercourse. A combination of wall spacers and under drains will prevent water from accumulating behind the wall and saturating road base and surrounding earthen material. The existing culvert will be removed and replaced with a culvert sized to accommodate the 100-year flood flow. The culvert length will remain the same.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mendocino County

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1): (5268):
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)):
Emergency Project (Sec. 21 080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption; Section 15301 (c) and (d) Existing Facilities
Statutory Exemptions; State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves the upgrading and replacement of existing road drainage structures, including a watercourse crossing, damaged during heavy rainfall. At the watercourse crossing, the existing culvert will be removed and replaced with a culvert sized to accommodate the 100-year flood flow. The project will result in negligible or no expansion of use beyond what existed. The project is intended to restore the road and public safety.

Lead Agency Contact: Ryan Bey

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If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

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Signature:

Matt St. John

Date: April 22, 2020

Title: Executive Office

- Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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