

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

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From: North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Project Title: Butte Valley Wildlife Area Wetlands Management Project

Project Location - Specific: 41.849909° N, 122.095039° W

Project Location - City: Macdoel

Project Location - County: Siskiyou County

Description of Project: The purpose of this Project is to maximize water use efficiency, restore wetland acreage within the wildlife area, and improve wetland resources for migratory and resident bird species. Project components include: replacing dilapidated CMP risers and pipes used for wetland management, refurbishing existing perimeter levees, establishing a new water delivery system to more efficiently supply managed wetlands, filling existing borrow ditches excavated during past construction of perimeter levees, reconfiguring existing managed wetland units increase the quantity of flooded wetlands, and restoring historic wetland acreage through the creation of a series of swales and potholes.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

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 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
 Statutory Exemptions; State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project will result in minor grading associated with the enhancement and development of seasonal wetlands and the replacement of existing, inefficient water diversion infrastructure.

Lead Agency Contact: Jake Shannon

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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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Matthias St. John

Date: May 4, 2020

Title: Executive Officer

- Signed by Lead Agency
 Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

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