# **Notice of Exemption**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research *For U.S. Mail:* P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife Bay Delta Region 2825 Cordelia Road, Suite 100 Fairfield, CA 94534

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## State Clearinghouse Number:

**Project Title:** City of San Jose Arundo Removal and Coyote Creek Restoration Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0290-R3)

**Project Location:** The Project is located between Oakland Drive and Berryessa Road in the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California. The coordinates are 37.377595° N latitude and 121.895396° W longitude (NAD 83 or WGS 84). The Assessor's Parcel Number is 24114001.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0290-R3, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, City of San Jose.

The Project includes removal of non-native vegetation along Coyote Creek. Chainsaws will be used to remove nonnative giant reed (*Arundo donax*), then herbicide will be sprayed or painted on the stumps of the cut giant reed. Non-native trees (such as black walnut (*Juglans* sp.), spreading elm (*Ulmus* sp.), fan palm (*Washingtonia robusta*), and eucalyptus (*Eucalyptus* sp.) will be removed by chainsaw. Areas where invasive plant removal occurs will be revegetated with native wildflower and grass seed and/or planting of species such as mulefat (*Baccharis salicifolia*), cottonwood (*Populus fremontii*), or willow (*Salix* sp.)

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

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of San Jose

## **Exempt Status:**

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- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type Class 33; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15333

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project includes restoration of riparian habitat through establishing native vegetation over an area that does not exceed 5 acres in size.

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