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



Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: City of St. Helena Routine Maintenance (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0182-R3)

Project Location: The project is located on Sulphur Creek, Spring Creek, Bell Creek, York Creek, Napa River, and other stream channels and drainage facilities within the City of St. Helena, Napa County.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0182-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of St. Helena.

The project is limited to routine maintenance activities within the City of St. Helena. Routine Maintenance is hereby defined as those activities that are periodically scheduled and implemented as necessary to maintain the water transport capacity of stream channels and maintain the structural and functioning integrity of existing flood control and sediment detention structures on or affecting streams. Maintenance activities which both parties agree may be considered "routine" are described in Attachment A. In brief summary, these activities include sediment and debris removal from existing culverts, bridges, storm drain outlets, water diversion structures, and ponds/lakes; minor vegetation removal, including limbing, trimming, and removal of trees; and inspections and water quality sampling at storm drain outfalls throughout the City of St. Helena.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of St. Helena

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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