To: Office of Planning and Research *For U.S. Mail:* P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife Northern Region 619 Second Street Eureka, California 95501



Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Raymond Stream Crossings and Water Diversion Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0817-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project to be completed is located within Big Creek watershed, approximately 4.7 miles east southeast of the town of Hyampom, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 11, T13N, R5E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Sims Mountain U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 317-055-001, 317-055-003, and 317-055-009; latitude 40.650738 N and longitude -123.572194 W and the approximate project center.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0817-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Mr. Scott Raymond.

The project is limited to 12 encroachments on unnamed tributaries to Big Creek. One encroachment is for water diversion for irrigation. Work for the water diversion will include use and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. The eleven other encroachments are to upgrade existing stream crossings. Work for these encroachments will include some or all of the following: excavation, culvert removal and replacement, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mr. Scott Raymond

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemption. State code number

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1 and 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15301

and 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project will permit upgrading and remediation of existing stream crossings and a surface water diversion. Work was initially conducted without a Streambed Alteration Agreement (Fish & Game Code [FGC] Section 1602) before June 26, 2017. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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