Notice of Exemption

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Office of Planning and Research For U.S. Mail: P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife Region 1 – Northern 619 Second Street Eureka, CA 95501



State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Pulling Weeds On-Stream Pond Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0267-R1)

Project Location: The project is located within the Mattole River watershed, approximately 2.98 miles north east of the town of Honeydew, County of Humboldt, State of California; Section 20, T2S, R1E, Humboldt Base and Meridian, in the Bull Creek U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 107-291-020; latitude 40.2777 N and longitude -124.0874 W at the ponds outlet.

Project Description: The project is limited to 1 encroachment. The encroachment is to remove an onstream failing reservoir. The reservoir is located at the top of an unnamed tributary to the Upper North Fork Mattole River. Rainwater and sheet flow are collected and diverted into a pond for fire and esthetic purposes. A Stream Restoration Plan shall be provided to return the headwaters of the unnamed tributary to natural conditions. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the fill, non-native materials, revegetation of bare mineral soils, 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: Kyle Pullen

Exempt Status	:
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Statutory Exemption.	
Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 1530)4

Reasons why project is exempt: The project includes removal of an existing onstream rain catchment pond to be restored to natural conditions. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §15065. 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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