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Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Chimedkhuyag Water Diversion and Stream Crossing Remediation Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-14339-R1)

Project Location (include county): The project to be completed is located within the Butte Creek and Van Duzen River watershed, approximately 5.6 miles east southeast of the town of Bridgeville, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 13, T1N, R4E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Larabee Valley U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 210-250-008; latitude 40.4613 N and longitude 123.6767 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-HUM-14339-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Altan Chimedkhuyag.

The project is limited to nine encroachments. One encroachment is proposed for water diversion from an unnamed tributary to Butte Creek. Water would be diverted for domestic use and irrigation. Work for the water diversion will include modification, use, and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure. A second encroachment proposes to remove an existing water diversion structure from a stream. Five other proposed encroachments are to upgrade failing road/stream crossings. Two additional encroachments are proposed to remove trash, debris, and potting soil from streams and to stabilize a stream channel eroded by the unpermitted routing of stormwater to a stream. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the failing culverts, replacement with new properly sized culverts, 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: Altan Chimedkhuyag.

Exempt Status:

Signature:

Statutory Exemption. State code number

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

and 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project will remediate unauthorized stream alterations. 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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