Notice of Exemption

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Department of Fish and Wildlife 1701 Nimbus Road Rancho Cordova, CA 95670



Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: 168 Milligan Lane Pond Restoration (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. BUT-27512-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at a spring-fed pond with a hydrologic connection to South Honcut Creek, in the County of Butte, State of California; Latitude 39.418098, Longitude -121.357678, 168 Milligan Lane, Bangor, Assessor's Parcel Number 028-220-011.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-27512-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Craig Henderson.

The project is limited to restoring the capacity of an existing pond approximately 0.75-acres in size by removing accumulated sediments. Overtime the pond has silted in reducing the pond's depth and acreage of open water. The project proposes to use heavy equipment to remove accumulated sediment and fresh emergent vegetation from within the pond. Fresh emergent vegetation to be removed includes willow (*Salix sp.*) saplings and cattails (*Typha sp.*). Removal of mature trees will not be required.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Craig Henderson

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1(i) maintenance of existing springs and waterholes for wildlife resources and 4(g) minor alterations of land – maintenance dredging; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15301 and 15304).

Reasons why project is exempt: Class 1 because the project proposes to restore the pond to the benefit of wildlife resources who depend on it as a waterhole. Class 4 because maintenance dredging within the pond will not require removal of mature trees and all spoils will be deposited in a spoil area authorized by all applicable state and federal regulatory agencies.

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