## **Notice of Exemption**

To:

Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit

From:

Office of Planning and Research Region 1 - Northern 601 Locust Street Redding, California 96001



**Project Title:** Willow Gulch Crossing Compliance Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-21308-R1)

**Project Location (include county):** The project site is located at 1486 Summit Creek Road in the Carr Creek Watershed in the town of Hayfork in Trinity County; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 017-410-003-000.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (Agreement) No. EPIMS-21308-R1, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Mr. Richard Wood.

This project has been proposed to remedy existing Fish and Game Code violations by addressing sediment inputs at two existing ford stream crossings. This project proposes to: 1) decommission an existing crossing on Willow Gulch, restoring the stream banks by re-stabilizing the streambank through recontouring existing road cuts and revegetating with native species, and 2) replace an existing ford crossing on an unnamed stream, with an appropriately designed rock armored ford, to meet 100-year flow criteria and minimize sediment inputs.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Mr. Richard Wood

## **Exempt Status:**

□ Categorical Exemptions. Types:

Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302, Existing facilities. Operation, repair maintenance, or minor alteration to existing public or private structures involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304, Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

Class 8; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15308, Actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for the protection of the environment.

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project will take place within the footprints of existing structures / areas of impact and will involve no expansion to existing or former use. This project, as carried out in accordance with the Agreement, will not result in the removal of any mature or scenic trees, will not result in significant adverse impact on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitat, nor will the project 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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