## **Notice of Exemption**

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**Project Title:** 10-1L520 SR-4 Culvert Replacement (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. ALP-34554-R2)

**Project Location:** Slopes adjacent to Kinney Creek and Silver Creek on State Route (SR) 4 in the County of Alpine, State of California. The post miles (PM) for this Project are ALP-4 PM 19.99, 26.32, and 26.73.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number ALP-34554-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the Project Applicant, the California Department of Transportation.

The Project includes replacing three existing culverts at various ephemeral channels on SR-4. The existing metal culverts will be replaced with upsized Reinforced Concrete Pipe culverts. Additionally, the existing concrete headwalls at the inlets may be replaced and flared-end sections and rock slope protections added at the outlets. The Project is limited to vegetation cutting, excavation of the slope, placement of fill on the slope and channels, and concrete pouring.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: <u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORATION</u>

## **Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type − Classes 1, 2, and 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15301(c), 15302(c), and 15304(f)

Reasons why Project is exempt: The Project falls under Class 1(c) Categorical Exemption because it consists of repairing or minor alteration of existing facilities (one culvert) on the highway involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The Project falls under Class 2(c) Categorical Exemption because it consists of the replacement of existing facilities (one culvert) where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and negligible expansion of capacity. The Project falls under Class 4(f) Categorical Exemption because it consists of minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is to be restored. The Project will involve the alteration of non-native vegetation, but will not remove healthy, mature, or scenic trees.

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