Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research *For U.S. Mail:* P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 **From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife Northern Region 619 Second Street Eureka, CA 95503 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE

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Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Highway 101 Culvert Replacement Project, EA 01-0K880 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-22201-R1C)

Project Location (include county): The project sites are located in Humboldt County on Highway 101 between post miles (PMs) 94.95 and 121.95, at coordinates 40.98455, -124.11642; 41.28673, -124.08507; and 41.29230, - 124.05100.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-HUM-22201-R1C pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans; Permittee), represented by Vincent Heim.

The Permittee proposes to replace drainage systems identified by the Culvert Inspection Program as deteriorated and beyond their useful service life. Culverts will be replaced in-kind as close to the existing alignment as possible. All work will be done from the roadway and/or roadway embankment fill.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans; Permittee), represented by Vincent Heim.

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type Class 1 California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing facilities.

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