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Notice of Exemption

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From:
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State Clearinghouse Number: NA

Project Title: Tree Removal on Stevens Creek at 10332 Creston Drive, Cupertino (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0001-R3)

Project Location: The project is located on the west bank of Stevens Creek in the City of Cupertino, County of Santa Clara.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0001-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Sue Tippets/Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water).

The purpose of the project is to remove one California sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*) tree. The tree is considered hazardous due to its structural defects, which pose an imminent risk to the adjacent residence. Additional tree branches of an adjacent Coast live oak (*Quercus agrifolia*) may occur to gain access to the sycamore.

Public Agency Approving Project: **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water)

Exempt Status:

☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: Class 4 consists of 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 or agricultural purposes. None of the conditions noted under CEQA 15300.2 apply.

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