

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:**

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**From:**

Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**State Clearinghouse Number:** N/A**Project Title:** Daulton Creek Diversion Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No.1600-2019-0195-R4).

**Project Location:** The Project will occur within the Daulton Creek Diversion approximately 12 miles northeast of the City of North Fork; Fresno County, California, Township 7 South, Range 24 East, Section 14; USGS 7.5 Minute Quad Map Mammoth Pool Dam, MDB & M. Work will occur from Latitude 37.32409°N and Longitude -119.313302°W to Latitude 37.32252°N and Longitude -119.30996°W

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2019-0195-R4, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the applicant, Southern California Edison.

Project activities include routine maintenance for the removal of vegetation within the bed and bank of the Daulton Creek Diversion, to prevent backing up and overtopping of flows. Vegetation removal will occur no more than once per year. Each routine maintenance project may include the removal of all vegetation types, including trees, brushy vegetation, and grasses/herbaceous plants. Vegetation removal will be conducted using chainsaws, shovels, loppers, and/or other hand-operated tools, and cut material will be removed from the site. All vegetation removal will occur by cutting, and no ground disturbance will occur. Tree stumps will remain in place after trees are removed. An aquatic herbicide may be used on willow (*Salix* sp.) or alder (*Alnus* sp.) stumps to reduce re-sprouting. Herbicide will be applied by a California-licensed contractor using a paintbrush in dry areas outside of the wetted channel.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Southern California Edison**Exempt Status:**

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project includes routine vegetation management activities. The Project is not intended to result in an expansion beyond the existing use of the stream where maintenance activities will occur. The Project will not have significant environmental impacts if it is completed under the protective features of Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0195-R4.

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