

Notice of Exemption

To:

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From:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Central Region
1234 East Shaw Avenue
Fresno, California 93710



Project Title: Gabilan and Natividad Creeks at Boronda Road Flood/Erosion Control and Habitat Restoration Project (Project) (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MON-61728-R4)

Project Location: The Project will occur within two streams, Gabilan Creek and Natividad Creek, both located within the City of Salinas, Monterey County, California; Section 00, Township 14 South, Range 03 East; U.S. Geological 7.5-Minute Quad Natividad; and Assessor's Parcel Numbers 153-204-029-000 and 153-651-026-000. The Project includes activities within the two Project areas Gabilan Creek 36.71376, -121.61769 and Natividad Creek 36.70183, -121.60245.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MON-61728-R4 pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602 to the City of Salinas, represented by Erin McGinty. The Gabilan Creek Project area is 0.95 acres and is intended to restore a 1,000-linear-foot section of Gabilan Creek by removing 2,900 cubic yards of sediment. The Natividad Creek Project area is 0.44 acres and is intended to restore a 1,200-linear foot section of Natividad Creek by removing 7,610 cubic yards of sediment. Approximately 2.38 acres will be restored by removing invasive, non-native plant species, and planting native species.

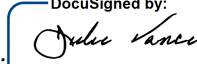
Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status: On March 27, 2024, the City of Salinas, the Lead Agency, determined that the Project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15333. The Lead Agency determined that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria for the exemption. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.1(a), the Lead Agency is responsible for determining whether the Project is exempt from CEQA and that determination shall be final and conclusive on all persons, including Responsible Agencies. As a result, CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, is bound by the Lead Agency's determination that the Project is exempt from CEQA.

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