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Project Title: Road 533 Stream Crossings Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MEN-57721-R1C)

Project Location: The Project to be completed is located within the Jughandle Creek watershed, approximately 3.5 miles east of the town of Caspar County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 03, T17N, R17W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Mathison Peak U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 118-540-01-00.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-MEN-57721-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Erik Wahl, representing the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

The Project is limited to two encroachments. One encroachment is to upgrade an existing undersized culvert with an appropriately sized culvert. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the existing culvert, replacement with new properly sized culvert, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

The second encroachment is to replace an undersized culvert with a rocked ford. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the existing culvert and fill, construction of the rocked ford, and armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE


Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Erik Wahl, representing the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption. State code number
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project replaces an existing culvert with an appropriately sized culvert and a rocked ford crossing that will be limited to use when surface water is not present. The crossings will be installed to current standards. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. The structures have the same use and capacity.

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