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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: PG&E 2024 Boardwalk Access Program, San Francisco Bay (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-ALA-53129-R3)

Project Location (Alameda, San Mateo, and Santa Clara): The Project consists of eight locations within the San Francisco Bay:

Location 1 is located along Sanchez Creek, in the County of San Mateo, State of California; Latitude 37.5892008 °N, Longitude -122.3578364 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 026-290-380.

Location 2 is located on the west bank of Newark Slough, in the County of Alameda, State of California; Latitude 37.5082752 °N, Longitude -122.0862808 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 537-0601-014.

Location 3 is located on the east bank of Newark Slough, in the County of Alameda, State of California; Latitude 37.5081807 °N, Longitude -122.0852864 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 537-0601-007-01.

Location 4 is located on the north side of Coyote Creek, in the County of Alameda, State of California; Latitude 37.4657296 °N, Longitude -122.0227015 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 537-0701-001-01.

Location 5 is located on the west side of an unnamed tributary to Mud Slough, in the County of Alameda, State of California; Latitude 37.4774753 °N, Longitude -121.9536838 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 519-0800-001-38.

Location 6 is located along the north side of Coyote Creek, in the County of Alameda, State of California; Latitude 37.4615122 °N, Longitude -121.9509365 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 519-0820-001-03.

Location 7 is located within the floodplain of Scott Creek, in the County of Santa Clara, State of California; Latitude 37.4573271 °N, Longitude -121.9218048 °W; Assessor's Parcel Number 5519-1746-005.

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Location 8 is located within the floodplain of Scott Creek, in the County of Santa Clara, State of California; Latitude 37.4550442 °N, Longitude -121.9203226 °W; Assessor’s Parcel Number 022-01-021.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-ALA-53129-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Craig Geldard/Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E).

The Project is limited to the maintenance and construction of boardwalks in wetlands and other aquatic environments. Boardwalk maintenance at Locations 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 will consist of replacing and/or removing an existing boardwalk that provides access to a given tower location. New boardwalk construction at Locations 1 and 4 will occur where there is no existing boardwalk to a given tower location.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:

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Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (2); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15302) and Class (3); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15303)

Reasons why project is exempt: The Class 2 exemption applies to the 6 boardwalk maintenance projects because they involve the replacement of existing boardwalks on the same sites and will have the same purpose and capacity as the boardwalks replaced. The Class 3 exemption applies to the 2 projects involving the construction of new boardwalks because the new boardwalks can reasonably be interpreted to be small structures that are limited in number.

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