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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: PG&E 2024 Tidewater-Sobrante 230kV Tower 012/061 Boardwalk Replacement Project - 2024 (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-[CCA-53266-R3])

Project Location (Contra Costa County): The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Walnut Creek, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California; Latitude [38.006523], Longitude [-122.082518].

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-CCA-53266-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Craig Geldard, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) - Oakland.

The project is limited to the removal of one existing boardwalk which provides access to the PG&E Tidewater-Sobrante 230kV Tower 012/061 and the construction of a replacement boardwalk along a new alignment with a reduced overall length relative to the boardwalk being replaced. Marsh vegetation will be removed by hand or with the use of hand tools to create a temporary work area along the boardwalk alignments. Floating platforms will be used to assist with construction if needed. Equipment and materials will be moved between the work area and a staging area located in a disturbed upland area either by hand or with the use of handcarts. Support posts for the existing boardwalk will be cut down as close to the mudline as possible and boardwalk components will be moved to the staging areas for pickup and offsite disposal. Support posts for the new boardwalk will be manually installed and the boardwalk framework will be secured to the posts. Hand tools and battery- and/or generator-powered equipment will be used to install and remove boardwalks.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:
Craig Geldard
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Exempt Status:

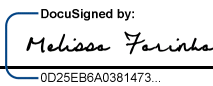
Statutory Exemption.

Categorical Exemption. Type – [Class (2)]; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301)

Reasons why project is exempt: Project consists of the replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose as the structure being replaced.

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