

Notice of Exemption

To:

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From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife

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Project Title: Bear Gulch Creek Upper Diversion Slope Stabilization Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SMO-58602-R3)

Project Location (San Mateo County): The project is located at Bear Creek, a tributary to San Francisco Creek and the San Francisco Bay, in the County of San Mateo, State of California; Latitude 37.41835, Longitude - 122.26828; access via a gravel/paved road off the intersection of Oakhill Drive and State Highway 84 (near 3700 Woodside Road, Woodside, CA; Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 072-174-040.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SMO-58602-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to California Water Service Company.

The project is limited to removing temporary rock slope protection and stabilizing an eroding bankside along Bear Creek to prevent bank failure and protect an existing 20- inch raw water main. A soil nail and shotcrete wall, comprising 125 linear feet will be buried in the bank, not exposed to creek flows, and not visible except for a small portion of the top of the wall above the 100-year flow water surface elevation. From the toe of the bank extending approximately four feet up the bank, two sizes of irregularly shaped rock revetment will be installed. A bioengineered soil slope will be installed above the rock toe in the middle of the project reach and will extend four feet from the top of the revetment to above the 100-year flow level and will conform to a 1.5H:1V slope. The soil slope and project access areas will be revegetated after project construction. One big leaf maple tree, 10-inches in diameter at breast height, will be removed during project construction near the upstream end of the project area. After removal the tree will be salvaged and incorporated into the bank stabilization design near the toe of the slope near the upstream end of the project area.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California Water Service Company

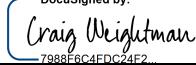
Exempt Status:

☒ Statutory Exemption. CEQA Guidelines section 15269(b), PRC 21080(b)(4), 15269(b)(c)

☐ Categorical Exemption.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves emergency repairs to public service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety, and welfare. Emergency repairs include those that require a reasonable amount of planning to address an anticipated emergency.

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