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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Project Title:** Multi TD South Lake Road Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project  
(Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-INY-52738-R6)

**Project Location (Inyo County):** Multi TD South Lake Road Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (project) is located on United States Forest Service and privately-owned lands along South Fork Bishop Creek approximately 1.7 miles east of the of the unincorporated community of Aspendell and approximately 12 miles southwest of the City of Bishop, Inyo County, State of California; Latitude 37.244003, Longitude - 118.568738.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-INY-52738-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison.

The project is limited to removing and replacing 8 wood utility poles with new wood poles (Poles 445025S, 4391531E, 4391532E, 4391533E, 4391534E, and 4391535E), composite sectional poles (Poles 445026S and 445027S), and new plastic Sonotubes installed at each pole location. One new screw anchor will be installed at Pole 445025S, two plate anchor replacements at Pole 4391532E, and one plate anchor replacement at Pole 445027S.

Project activities described above are anticipated to temporarily impact 0.077 acre and permanently impact 0.0008 acre of resources subject to Fish and Game Code Section 1602.

**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. [State code number]
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15301(b and d))

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project includes the restoration and/or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged existing structure or facility to meet public health and safety standards.

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