

# Notice of Exemption

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To:  Office of Planning and Research  
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From: S.F. Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board  
1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400  
Oakland, CA 94612

County Clerk

Project Title: Bachman Homeowners Association Bank Stabilization Project

Project Location-Specific: Latitude 37.22949; longitude -121.98449

Project Location-City: Los Gatos Project Location-County: Santa Clara

a) Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project consists of replacing a failed retaining wall along Almendra Creek with a new retaining wall and extending the wall 15 feet upstream to where a retaining wall historically existed.

b) Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Bachman HOA President, Jeff Black

**Exempt Status: (check one)**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);  
 Declared Emergency (Sec.2108(b)(3); 15269(a);  
 Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c);  
 Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class IV, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 14, Chapter 3 (CEQA Guidelines), § 15304 for minor alterations to land, consisting of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation.  
 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: State of California Public Resources Code (PRC) §21080(b)(10) and CEQA Guidelines §15275

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project involves the stabilization of a creek bank consisting of minor private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation.

**Lead Agency**

Contact Person: Brian Wines Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 622-5680

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project:  Yes  No

Signature: Brian Wines Date: 7/30/2025 Title: Water Resource Control Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Applicant