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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Jackisch Water Diversion and Reservoir Spillway Improvements Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-32979-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino County): The Project to be completed is located within the Upper Eel River watershed, approximately 6.65 miles northwest of the town of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 21, T19N, R14W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Burbeck U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 037-640-01; latitude 39.49065 N and longitude 123.42016 W at the first point of diversion (POD #3).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-32979-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Scott Jackisch.

The Project is limited to two (2) encroachments associated with Small Domestic Use (SDU) Registration No. D033333. The first encroachment is for water diversion from a horizontal well (spring) for domestic use. Work will include operation and maintenance of the water diversion infrastructure, and modifications as needed to comply with the terms of this Agreement. The second encroachment is for water diversion from an onstream pond (reservoir) for domestic use including irrigation, as well as improvements to the spillway, and bypass infrastructure installation as conditioned in SDU Registration No. D033333 to discharge water out of the reservoir for downstream resources. Work for the water diversion will include operation and maintenance of water diversion infrastructure, and modifications as needed to comply with the terms of this Agreement. Work for the spillway improvements will include excavation, removal of the existing 24-inch diameter culvert, installation of an upgraded spillway with appropriate rock sizing, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion that shall extend below the footbridge to address the downstream erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:

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Exempt Status:

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

Reasons why project is exempt: The Jackisch Water Diversion and Reservoir Spillway Improvements Project (Project) meets the criteria for the above categorical exemption because the Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, and permitting of private structures, involving no expansion of existing or former use.

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