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Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: Shafer Bridge Repair Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-58574-R1C)

Project Location: The Project is located within the Mattole River watershed, at 16624 Briceland Thorn Road, town of Whitethorn, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 15, T5S, R2E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Briceland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 215-212-004; latitude 40.021 N and longitude 123.939 W.

Project Description: The Project is limited to one encroachment to repair and protect an existing bridge crossing. Work for this encroachment will include driving steel H-piles on either side of the existing left-bank abutment, welding the bridge deck to the pile cap and piles, and adding rock slope protection as necessary to minimize scour/erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Eric Shafer

Exempt Status:

☐ Statutory Exemption.

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

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of an existing private structure. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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