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Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Illana Pond Spillway Improvements (Project) (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-59015-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino): The Project to be completed is located within the North Fork Noyo River watershed, approximately 8 miles NW of the town of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 19, T19N, R14W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Burbeck U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 037-032-25-00; latitude 39.48795 N and longitude 123.44829 W at the pond.

Project Description: The Project is limited to one encroachment for improvements to the spillway of an existing on-stream pond. Work for the spillway will include excavation of material from the existing spillway, and installation of a 6-foot-wide, by 2-foot-deep and 10-foot-long riprap spillway, and 8-foot-wide by 8 to 12-foot long velocity dissipator.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status:

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

Reasons why project is exempt: Illana Pond Spillway Improvements Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption type Class 1, California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301 because the project involves repair, maintenance and use of an existing pond. The project involves negligible or no expansion of the existing use.

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