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Notice of Exemption

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From:
Department of Fish and Wildlife
Region 1 – Coastal
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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

Project Title: PG&E Van Duzen River Restoration Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-HUM-60347-R1C)

Project Location: The Project is located along the north bank the Van Duzen River near River Bar Road, approximately 2 ¼ miles north of the City of Rio Dell, County of Humboldt, State of California. The Project is located in Section 30, T2N, R1E, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Hydesville U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 204-101-002 and 204-101-003; latitude 40.53130 N and longitude 124.10544 W.

Project Description: The Project is limited to one encroachment for the removal of temporary emergency-riprap and site revegetation, as directed by California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), US Army Corps of Engineers, and the North Coast Water Quality Control Board. Work will include the removal of approximately 2,160 cubic yards of rock slope protection installed under emergency conditions in the winter of 2025 to temporarily stabilize the riverbank and protect transmission line infrastructure. Rock was installed on approximately 800 linear feet of bank at a depth of approximately 12 feet. Following removal, PG&E will revegetate the bank in consultation with CDFW.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Brandon Liddell, representing PG&E

Exempt Status:

☐ Statutory Exemption.

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. 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.

CDFW Contact Person: Jonathan Hollis (Environmental Scientist), (707) 601-7237

Signature: DocuSigned by: Michael van Hattem 689BB18539B6406... *Date:* 9/5/2025

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