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Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
CEQA Submit

From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
1701 Nimbus Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Project Title: Hamlin Slough Bank Maintenance (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. BUT-61187-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Hamlin Slough, from the Durnel Road Bridge to just east of the Butte Creek Levee, in the County of Butte, State of California; Latitude 39.57579, Longitude -121.80035 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-61187-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, James McAlister.

The project is limited to vegetation removal on the top and inboard bank of a 2,200 linear foot section of the northern levee of Hamlin Slough. Approximately every 300-feet a 10-foot by 10-foot section of vegetation will be left in place for a total of six (6) undisturbed vegetation sections. The project will not remove any trees with a diameter at breast height (DBH) of four (4) inches or greater. The project will remove dead and downed trees, including partially submerged dead trees. Herbicides will be used within the area cleared of vegetation to reduce the regrowth of Himalayan blackberry bushes.

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 (4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15304)

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt under 15304 because it involves minor alteration to land which does not include the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

CDFW Contact Person: Sammi Morford, Environmental Scientist, (916) 880-8324

Signature: DocuSigned by: Tanya Sheya 1ABC45303752499... *Date:* 9/18/2025

Tanya Sheya, Environmental Program Manager