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Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: East Valley Creek Tributary Remediation Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SHA-62307-R1)

Project Location: The project is located at Shasta County assessor's parcel number (APN) 306-320-002-000, located on an unnamed tributary to East Valley Creek, tributary to East Fork Stillwater Creek, in Shasta County, State of California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SHA-62307-R1 pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Michael Arnerich.

The project is intended to remediate damages incurred to fish and wildlife resources resulting from Fish and Game Code violations documented within an ephemeral tributary to East Valley Creek. The project consists of the following activities:

1) Installation of an appropriately sized culvert and associated armoring to convey the 100-year flow of an ephemeral stream bisecting an earthen landing, and abandon and decommission an existing failed culvert.

2) Removal of trash, refuse and debris from the western slope of the earthen landing above an ephemeral stream and set the slope back to 2:1.

3) Removal of an earthen impoundment within an ephemeral stream and grade to match previously existing bed, bank, and channel conditions.

4) Installation of an armored spillway to convey overflow from an onstream impoundment.

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Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Michael Arnerich

Exempt Status:

☐ Statutory Exemption.

☒ Categorical Exemption.

Class 2, Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302, Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

Class 8; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15308, Actions taken by regulatory agencies as authorized by state law or local ordinance to assure the maintenance, restoration, or enhancement of a natural resource where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment.

Reasons why project is exempt: The Project consists of activities intended to remediate Fish and Game Code violations and consists of reconstruction of previously existing drainage conveyance structures.

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