

Notice of Exemption

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From:

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



State Clearinghouse Number: 2026010692

Project Title: Bitney Springs Bridge Removal (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. NEV-63853-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at Deer Creek in the County of Nevada, State of California; Latitude 39.24646, Longitude -121.11227; near the intersection of Bitney Springs Road and Newtown Road in Nevada City

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number NEV-63853-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Nevada County - Department of Public Works.

The project is limited to the removal of the superstructure and steel truss of a closed and obsolete bridge. This project will remove all steel truss members and floor system, Creosote-treated timber decking, stringers, and columns/posts that rest atop the existing concrete piers. The concrete portions of the substructure (abutments, six intermediate piers approximately five feet high) will remain in place. No concrete demolition or excavation below deck elevation is proposed, and no replacement structure will be constructed. All removal work to be completed from the top side of the bridge without the need to work in the channel.

Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Person / Public Agency Carrying out Project:

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Exempt Status:

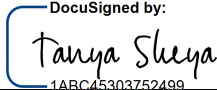
Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15304)

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Reasons why project is exempt: The project is class 4 exempt because it consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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Signature:  _____
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Date: 9/22/2026

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