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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Reel Stream Crossing Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-64560-R1C)

Project Location: The Project to be completed is located within the South Fork Eel River watershed, approximately 2.82 miles south of the town of Laytonville, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 25, Township 21N, Range 15W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Laytonville U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 014-630-10-00; latitude 39.64683 N and longitude 123.48385 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-64560-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Faer Reel.

The Project is limited to one (1) encroachment to upgrade an existing culvert. Work for this encroachment will include excavation, removal of the existing culvert, replacement with a new properly sized culvert, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

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 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

Reasons why project is exempt: The Reel Stream Crossing Project (Project) meets the criteria for the above categorical exemption because the Project consists of the replacement of an existing culverted stream crossing with no proposed expansion of its existing use.

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