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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Oseguera Water Diversion Removal Project (Project) (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-58070-R1C)

Project Location (Mendocino): The Project to be completed is located within the Russian River watershed, approximately 8.6 miles east of the town of Yorkville, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 20 T12N, R11W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Cloverdale U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 049-380-39-00; latitude 38.87476 N and longitude 123.11089 W at the point of diversion (POD).

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-58070-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jose Oseguera.

The Project is limited to one (1) encroachment for removal of water diversion infrastructure at the headwaters of an unnamed tributary to McDonald Creek. Work for the diversion removal will include use of hand tools to remove all plastic and wood components of the infrastructure. A three-sided concrete spring box with dimensions 60-inches wide, 36-inches deep and 36-inches tall will remain in place. Maintenance of the remaining infrastructure shall be performed as needed to minimize obstruction of flow, and ensure compliance with this Agreement. Diversion of water is not authorized under the Agreement. If water diversion is proposed, a new notification shall be submitted to CDFW.

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, section 15304

Reasons why project is exempt: Oseguera Water Diversion Removal Project meets the criteria for categorical exemption Class 4, California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15304 because the project involves minor alterations to land, water, and/or vegetation, and does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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