

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: Sierra

From: (Public Agency): SWRCB
Division of Water Rights
PO Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

(Address)

Project Title: Petition to Change Water Right License 3979 (Application 12054)

Project Applicant: US Forest Service Tahoe National Forest

Project Location - Specific:

Bear Creek and Middle Fork Yuba River, near Graniteville, CA

Project Location - City: Graniteville Project Location - County: Sierra

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Forest Service has submitted a petition to change Water Right License 3979 (Application 12054) to add Fish and Wildlife Preservation and Enhancement (dedicated instream flow) downstream of the licensed Point of Diversion in Sierra County. Domestic and mining uses are removed from License 3979.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Water Resources Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: US Forest Service Tahoe National Forest

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sec 15308, Protection of the Environment
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project dedicates water to instream flow for fish and wildlife preservation and enhancement. No construction or building; and no grading or excavation will occur for this project.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Michael Meza Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-341-5427

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Derek Woburneth Date: _____ Title: Senior Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____