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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**Project Title:** City of Shasta Lake Routine Maintenance Agreement (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SHA-66378-R1)

**Project Location (Shasta County):** The project is located at Churn Creek, Moody Creek, Salt Creek, and unnamed ephemeral and intermittent tributaries to Churn Creek and West Fork Stillwater Creek within the Churn Creek and West Fork Stillwater Creek watersheds within the City of Shasta Lake, in the County of Shasta.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SHA-66378-R1, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Shasta Lake, as represented by William Bond.

The project is limited to routine maintenance activities undertaken by the City of Shasta Lake within the County of Shasta. Routine maintenance activities are defined as those activities periodically scheduled and implemented as necessary to maintain the structural and functional integrity of existing public works facilities on, or affecting those reaches of, natural streams for which a notification of streambed alteration pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602 would otherwise be required. Such routine maintenance activities are further described in Exhibit A – Covered Activities, but in general include activities associated with maintaining, in an as-built condition, the free-flowing passage of water through existing structures and maintaining the structural and functional integrity of existing roads, paths, stream crossings, and drainage infrastructure.

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**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, Class 2; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The Project consists of routine repair, maintenance, replacement and reconstruction of public works infrastructure involving no expansion of use or capacity. The project will have no significant effect on the environment.

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**ATTACHMENT TO NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**
**City of Shasta Lake Routine Maintenance Agreement**
**Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement, No. EPIMS-SHA-66378-R1**

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), through its Northern Region Habitat Conservation Program has taken final action to execute the Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (Agreement) between the State of California, CDFW and the City of Shasta Lake for routine maintenance activities at existing public works facilities within the City of Shasta Lake. In taking its final agency action for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)(Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.), CDFW executes this Agreement relying on the categorical exemption for the Class 1 and Class 2 Categorical Exemptions, respectively. (CEQA Guidelines, §§ section 15301, section 15302). Each exemption relevant to the Project is discussed below.

## Class 1 Categorical Exemption

CDFW finds the Project to be exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301, the exemption for "Existing Facilities". Class 1, as relevant here, consists of operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The Project falls within the class because it involves maintenance of existing public works facilities. In brief summary, these activities include:

- Clearing of sediment and debris from around existing culverts, bridges, and other structures.
- Minor vegetation removal that maintains trees and bushes as viable.
- Vegetation pruning or removal to provide clear line of sight at intersections.
- Removal of hazardous man-made structures (car bodies, shopping carts, tires, trash, etc.) from water bodies for public safety and habitat improvement.
- Minor bank stabilization at existing facilities.
- Maintaining channel access roads and paths.
- Maintaining stormwater outfalls and drop-inlet culverts that direct flow into stream channels.
- Removing, covering, and repairing vandalism on City facilities.

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**Class 2 Categorical Exemption**

CDFW finds the Project to be exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15302, the exemption for "Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Faculties". Class 2, as relevant here, consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. The Project falls within the class because it may include replacing damaged or undersized culverted stream crossings on non-finfish bearing streams. For each proposed culvert replacement project as described, the Permittee shall submit a "sub-notification form", which would include supporting documents for the culvert replacement including hydrology studies, site assessment and biological surveys (if required), maps, and design plans. CDFW shall have thirty (30) business days to provide concurrence or non-concurrence that the work can be permitted under this Agreement. Fees submitted for projects identified by a sub-notification for culvert replacement are subject to *Standard Agreement* fees, as opposed to a *per-project fee for an Agreement for Routine Maintenance* associated with other routine maintenance activities covered by the Agreement.