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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION Project (Project) Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MEN-70308-R1C

Project Location (Mendocino): The Project to be completed is located within the Russian River watershed, approximately 12 miles southeast of the town of Ukiah, County of Mendocino, State of California. The Project is located in Section 30, T13N, R11W, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian; in the Hopland U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 048-380-15-00; latitude 38.95875 N and longitude 123.11444 W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MEN-70308-R1C, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Howard Dashiell, representing the Mendocino County Department of Transportation.

The Project is limited to one (1) encroachment for annual removal of up to 200 cubic yards of accumulated gravel, sediment, and trapped debris. Work for this encroachment will include excavation of up to six (6) feet within approximately 125 linear feet of stream channel upstream and downstream of the Mountain House Road bridge and relocate the removed material to County Road 110 for beneficial use. No channel widening, bridge modification, riprap, culverts, or other permanent structures are proposed. All work will occur when the stream is dry and has no surface flow. Vegetation disturbance will be minimal and will include removal of one small multi-stem ash sapling within the downstream excavation area. This Agreement relies on the Notification materials and a CDFW site visit on May 22, 2025.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status:

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section (15304) Categorical Exemption; Section 15304, Class 4 minor alterations in the condition of land, and/or vegetation which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Reasons why project is exempt: There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065. The project will not involve removal of healthy, mature or scenic trees.

Jennifer Garrison, Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist), (707) 477-7792.

Signature: DocuSigned by: Rebecca Garwood B5D12ECE94324AF... *Date:* 10/13/2026

Rebecca Garwood, Environmental Program Manager

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