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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: 7051 Holmes Hill Road Riparian Corridor Corrective Grading and Culvert Replacement (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SON-66030-R3)

Project Location (Sonoma): The Project is located at an unnamed tributary to Jones Creek, in the unincorporated community of Forestville, in the County of Sonoma, State of California; Latitude 38.47874°, Longitude -122.88387°; Section 5, Township 7N, Range 9W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Camp Meeker, Assessor's Parcel Number 083-060-060.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SON-66030-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Jared Brown.

The Project is limited to restoration to offset the unauthorized grading and deposition of spoils on the stream bank and riparian zone in an area of approximately 0.09 acre (4,110 square feet) and 288 linear feet, the installation of 155 square foot-concrete footing, and the installation of an undersized 18-inch diameter metal culvert and road crossing . The unauthorized grading will be remediated around the concrete footing, and the remaining fill from the deposition of spoils will be removed and restored to previous grade. The unauthorized concrete footing will be removed, and the 18-inch diameter metal culvert will be replaced with a 24-inch diameter concrete culvert. The Project will result in less than 0.01 acre (265 square feet) and 26 linear feet of permanent impacts and 0.09 acre (4,110 square feet) and 288 linear feet of temporary impacts to stream habitat. No riparian trees will be removed as a result of the Project. Staging and access will occur on existing dirt roads and/or developed areas.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status: On July 23, 2026, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Lead Agency, determined that the project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15301, 15303, and 15304. The Lead Agency determined that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria for the exemption. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.1, subdivision (a), the Lead Agency is responsible for determining whether the Project is exempt from CEQA and that determination shall be final and conclusive on all persons, including Responsible Agencies. As a result, CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, is bound by the Lead Agency's determination that the Project is exempt from CEQA.

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