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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Project Title: Santa Clara/San Mateo Trash Monitoring Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SCL-40069-R3)

Project Location ([Santa Clara County]): The Santa Clara/San Mateo Trash Monitoring Project (Project) is located in Santa Clara County and San Mateo County, California. The coordinates and Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) for the outfalls are as follows:

- San Francisquito Creek: 37.44581° N latitude and -122.17226° W longitude; APN 142-02-026;
- Thompson Creek: 37.332550° N latitude and -121.810253° W longitude; APN: 491-02-069
- Coyote Creek: 37.32246° N latitude and -121.86009° W longitude; APN 477-12-028;
- Unnamed tributary to Pilarcitos Creek: 37.469285° N latitude and -122.433808° W longitude; No APN.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has amended Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-SCL-40069-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to EOA Inc., as represented by Paul Randall.

The overall Project purpose is to monitor the trash discharged from urban development stormwater systems. The Project is limited to installation of stainless-steel pipe extensions and nets on stormwater outfalls to capture the trash at the locations described in the Project Location section above. The trash capture devices will be attached using hand tools. Nets will be removed by hand or, if too heavy, will be removed by winch attachment on a pickup

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truck located beyond the stream banks. Monitoring will focus on storm events that trigger trash discharge and transport. The trash nets will be deployed prior to a storm event (minimum 3 per year) and removed within one to two days following the storm. There will be no impacts to vegetation. The amendment replaces a trash monitoring location on Stevens Creek with a new location on Thompson Creek.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Exempt Status: On 5/22/2023, the [San Mateo County Association of Government, the Lead Agency, determined that the Project is categorically exempt pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, 15303 and 15306). The Lead Agency determined that the Project meets certain qualifying criteria for the exemption. Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.1(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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