NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

PROJECT TITLE	***Deadwood Waterline Replacement***		
PROJECT LOCATION	***17148 McAdams Creek Road, Fort Jones CA 96032***	**COUNTY**	***Siskiyou***
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will involve the replacement of approximately 400 feet of buried waterline at Deadwood Conservation Camp. The waterline crosses the channel of McAdams Creek and an overflow channel of McAdams Creek (see attached map). This section of McAdams Creek has berms approximately 6' high which confine the flow in both the main channel and the overflow channel. In order to dig the required 2' wide by 4' deep trench with a backhoe or excavator, an approximately 12' wide flattened area will be constructed through the existing berms that confine the channel and overflow channel. After the lines are installed, bedded in sand and covered, the berms will be reinstalled to their original condition with a tractor and backhoe. Any exposed soil material that could erode into the channel or overflow channel will be heavily mulched with straw.

This section of McAdams Creek is dry during most of the summer and fall months. Ground disturbing activities associated with this project will only take place when no surface flow is present.

The topography of the area is a flat valley floor and the vegetation type is open pine grassland/pasture.

EXEMPTION STATUS

☒ Categorical Exemption Type/Section: *15302(c), Class 2* *Replacement or Reconstruction*
15304(f), Class 4 *Minor Alterations to Land*

☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):
☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project fits under: ***15302(c) Replacement or Reconstruction of existing structures and facilities and 15304(f) Minor Alteration to Land-- Minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored. The project will replace a current water line and will also disturb a previously constructed berm for access to the creek bed.***

Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland and timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE SKU headquarters in Yreka.

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