

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Briones Reservoir Tower Outlet Seismic Retrofit Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2018-0313-R3)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Briones Reservoir, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California; Latitude 37.915101, Longitude -122.207090; Section 28, Township 1N, Range 3W, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Briones Valley; Assessor's Parcel Number 267-050-002.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0313-R3, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to East Bay Municipal Utility District.

The project is limited to placement of temporary fill material (wooden mats and stone) along the bank of the Briones Reservoir to create a temporary crane access pad adjacent to the reservoir. The Project is being undertaken to support EBMUD's actions to seismically retrofit the Briones Reservoir inlet-outlet tower. The tower is located near the upstream toe of the earth dam embankment, approximately 850 feet upstream of the centerline of the dam crest. Installation of the crane access would involve the placement of stone and wooden mats to create a flat/stable platform for the crane to access the reservoir for loading and unloading of materials on a barge. The stone and wooden mats will be removed at the completion of project activities.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: East Bay Municipal Utility District

Exempt Status:

☒ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301

Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures involving negligible or no expansion of use.

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