Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research For U.S. Mail: P.O. BOX 3044

Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife 1701 Nimbus Road, Suite A Rancho Cordova, CA 95670



Project Title: Rock Creek Hydroelectric Regular Maintenance.

Project Applicant: Rock Creek Hydro, LLC.

Project Location: The project is located at Rock Creek within the County of El Dorado, State of California; Assessor's Parcel Number 084-060-12-100; Latitude 38.793988°, Longitude - 120.775477°.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2018-0091-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Rock Creek Hydro, LLC.

The project proposes the regular maintenance of the intake and tailrace area of the Rock Creek hydroelectric facility. Maintenance activities will consist of the annual clearing of stone, cobble, and sediment away from the facility's intake structure as well as occasional trimming and mowing of vegetation on an approximately 300 square-foot area of the stream bank.

Public Agency Approving Project: <u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE</u>

Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Rock Creek Hydro, LLC

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Exempt Status: ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: ☐ Categorical Exemption. Type and section number: Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301
Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt under Class 1 because it consists of the regular maintenance of an existing facility involving no expansion of use.
CDFW Contact Person: Gabriele Quillman, Environmental Scientist at (916) 358-2955
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