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**Project Title:** Viola McBride Education Trust South Fork Bear River Stream Crossings (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2019-0434-R1)

**Project Location:** The project to be completed is located within the Mattole River watershed, approximately 7 miles north east of the town of Petrolia, County of Humboldt, State of California. The project is located in Section 36, T1N, R2W, Humboldt Base and Meridian; in the Taylor Peak U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 102-092-001; latitude 40.422859 N and longitude -124.247236 W at the first crossing.

**Project Description:** The project is limited to 3 encroachments (Table 1). The 3 proposed encroachments are to replace the existing structures. Work for these encroachments will include excavation, removal of the failing culverts, replacement with new properly sized culverts, backfilling and compaction of fill, and rock armoring as necessary to minimize erosion.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Daniel G. Cahoon

**Exempt Status:** 

□ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 2 and 33; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15302.
 □ Replacement or Reconstruction

Reasons why project is exempt: The project replaces a existing culverts with an appropriately sized culvert for 3 road points of a Natural Resource Conservation Service, VMET Project. The new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15302. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project would not constitute an expansion of use.

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