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Subject: Suspension of Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration Notification No. 1600-2016-0048-R5 Bridge and Road/ Toro Canyon Creek

Dear Mr. Myers:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) is suspending its processing of the above-referenced notification pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1613.

On February 19th, 2016 the Department received your notification that describes work to improve a previously constructed maintenance road and install a flatcar bridge to span over Toro Canyon Creek. The road would accommodate: 1) fire and emergency services egress, 2) an agricultural support road, 3) well water exploration, and 4) forest maintenance activities. However, the Department has determined that Fish and Game Code section 1602 (a)(4)(B) has been violated because you have not addressed the requirement to either submit a mitigation plan by December 31, 2015, or fully mitigate for impacts from construction of the project as outlined in Streambed Alteration Agreement 1600-2015-0148-R5. Hence, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1613, the Department will not process the notification for your project until the mitigation requirements of Agreement 1600-2015-0148-R5 are addressed and fulfilled.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Sarah Rains, Environmental Scientist at (805) 498-2385 or by email at sarah.rains@wildlife.ca.gov. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

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