

General Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement for Activities Related to Cannabis Cultivation (General Agreement)

- ABOUT THE GENERAL AGREEMENT -

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) General Agreement applies only to certain covered activities for the purpose of cannabis cultivation. The General Agreement expedites the CDFW authorization for eligible projects, pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 1602 and California Code of Regulations Title 14 Section 722, and is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE GENERAL AGREEMENT

- **Covered Activities** are limited to construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or repair of a *stream* crossing (bridge, culvert, rock ford only) or water diversion, for the purpose of cannabis cultivation.
- **Design Criteria** specified in the General Agreement must be met. These include, but are not limited to sizing, placement, and operation.
- Finfish species are not present in the stream or lake, year-round or seasonally.
- Take of Listed or Fully Protected species will not occur.
- Activity is not the subject of a complaint or order by CDFW, City Attorney, District Attorney, Attorney General, or an order by a court.

BEFORE YOU NOTIFY CDFW

- Review the General Agreement to ensure that your project meets the eligibility criteria and that you can comply with all terms and prescribed measures. You can view the General Agreement at https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/LSA/Cannabis-Cultivation/General-Agreement.
- **Prepare the following documents** that will inform completion of your notification. You will be required to certify that these documents are in your possession at the time of notification and submit them within 90 days of CDFW authorization.
 - **Biological Resources Assessment** A survey and biological resource report of the project site by a Biologist.
 - Design Plans A detailed description of the site-specific design for the construction or reconstruction of any stream crossing or reservoir, prescribed by a Licensed Professional that includes information specified in the General Agreement.
 - **Property Diagram** A scale diagram of the Property that identifies information specified in the General Agreement.

HOW TO NOTIFY CDFW

- Notification must be submitted online through the CDFW website for the Lake and Streambed Alteration Program, located at https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/LSA/Notify-CDFW.
- Notification includes a completed application, certification that documentation is in your possession, and applicable fee(s).
- The following notification fees apply

\$577.25 if the project costs less than \$5,000

\$724.50 if the project costs from \$5,000 to less than \$10,000

\$1,446.00 if the project costs from \$10,000 to less than \$25,000

\$2,170.50 if the project costs from \$25,000 to less than \$100,000

\$3,185.25 if the project costs from \$100,000 to less than \$200,000

\$4,320.25 if the project costs from \$200,000 to less than \$350,000

\$5,145.75 if the project costs \$350,000 or more

An additional remediation fee (\$3,087.50- \$5,145.75) will be required when applicable.

For more information on calculating fees, visit https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/LSA