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*Siskiyou County Clerk, 311 Fourth St., Rm 201, Yreka, CA 96097*

# **Agenda Worksheet**

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| **Regular** | **[x]**  |  | **Time Requested:** | **10 Min** | **Meeting Date:** | **March 26, 2024** |
| ***OR*** |
| **Consent** | **[ ]**  |  |
| **Contact Person/Department:** | **Elizabeth Nielsen** | **Phone:** | **530-842-8012** |
| **Address:** | **1312 Fairlane Road, Suite 1** |
| **Person Appearing/Title:** | **California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Staff/ Elizabeth Nielsen, Deputy County Administrator** |
| **Subject/Summary of Issue:** |
| County staff and CDFW staff will provide an update regarding the Board’s verbal requests and the County’s attached November 8, 2023, letter requesting assurances for water users following dam removal activities, and CDFW’s March 1, 2024, response letter where CDFW acknowledges the County’s concerns and request, and on the last page of the letter states that *“In the Klamath River watershed, many tributaries have been altered by anthropogenic activities and use. It once supported large numbers of fish but now only supports small fractions of those numbers. This is evident in long-term fisheries monitoring data. As a trustee agency for California fish, wildlife, and plant resources, and the habitats upon which they depend, as well as the several factors that could affect salmonid populations, the Department simply lacks the ability to provide any such assurances or protections related to the changes in salmonid populations”.* CDFW staff will also provide an update on the following items related to the Lower Klamath Dams Decommissioning Project: Parcel B Lands, fish hatchery, and wildlife and fisheries mortality resulting from dam removal activities.  |
| **Financial Impact:** |
| **NO** | [x]  | *Describe why no financial impact:*       |
| **YES** | [ ]  | *Describe impact by indicating amount budgeted and funding source below* |
| Amount: |       |  |  |  |  |
| Fund:  |       |  | Description: |       | Org.: |       | Description: |       |
| Account: |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Activity Code:  |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Local Preference: YES [ ]  NO [ ]  |
| For Contracts – *Explain how vendor was selected:*       |
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| Additional Information: |       |
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| **Recommended Motion:** |
| Presentation and possible direction from the Board. |
| **Reviewed as recommended by policy:** |  | ***Special Requests*:** |
| County Counsel |       |  |  |
|  |  |  | *Certified Minute Order(s)* |       | *Quantity:* |       |
| Auditor |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Personnel |       |  | *Other:* |       |
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