



State of California
 The Natural Resources Agency
 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

2019060145

PROJECT TITLE MVFSC Bald Mountain Legacy Fire Road #1

PROJECT LOCATION 38° 24' 50"N 122° 28' 59"W **COUNTY** Napa & Sonoma

LEAD AGENCY California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

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The MVFSC Bald Mountain Legacy Fire Road #1 Project is a fuels reduction and tree removal project that targets the residents along the Bald Mountain Ridge Rd which is a legacy fire break that runs north south along the Napa Sonoma County Line and parallel to Wall Rd. This Legacy Fire Road (LFR) serves several residences located on private drives and extends nearly three miles north as a dirt road along the ridge top towards Bald Mountain and Sugarloaf State Park. The project is a shaded fuel break project that will create fuel setbacks that range between 30-80ft on either side of the ridge road depending on the terrain.

The total acreage of the project area is approximately 115 acres and the treatment area is approximately 60 acres. Fuels consist of mixed scrub and shrub as well as densely forested areas. Treatment will include thinning, limbing, and bucking fallen trees. Pruning debris will be chipped and broadcast on site.


EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 4 §15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

Review by Tim Morin, RPF #2505, confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The RPF has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the RPF is kept on file at CAL FIRE's St. Helena office.

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 Matthew Reischman, Assistant Deputy Director Date
 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

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