

Notice of Determination**Appendix D****To:**

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From:

Public Agency: Sierra Nevada Conservancy
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California Dept of Forestry & Fire Protection
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2019070058

Project Title: Von Der Ahe Forest Enhancement Project (SNC 1063)

Project Applicant: Sierra Foothill Conservancy

Project Location (include county): Mariposa, Mariposa County

Project Description:


Please see attached description.

This is to advise that the Sierra Nevada Conservancy has approved the above
 (Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)
 described project on December 10 2020 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
 described project. (date)

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan (N4-99-6; Von Der Ahe NTMP) was adopted by the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection pursuant to Chapter 8, commencing with section 4511 of Part 2 of Division 4 of the Public Resources Code. The Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan meets the requirements of a Substitute Document pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15252. The Sierra Nevada Conservancy is using the substitute document in its approval of the project as a Responsible Agency, consistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15253 (a) and (b).
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Sierra Nevada Conservancy, 11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205, Auburn, CA 95603

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Deputy Executive Officer
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Date: 12/10/2020 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Public Agency: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Role: Responsible Agency

Lead Agency: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Project Name: Von Der Ahe Forest Enhancement Project

SCH Number: 2019070058

Document: Notice of Determination on Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan N4-99-6

Project Description

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy provided \$721,487 in funding for forest management activities on forested lands in southern Mariposa County near the communities of Triangle Park, Lush Meadows, Ponderosa Basin, Jerseydale, and Bootjack. The treatments would restore the property's forest which has been heavily impacted by drought, pest infestation, tree mortality, and dense overgrown vegetation. The property is in a high severity wildfire zone and is a potential threat to the surrounding communities and forests. Specific treatments on a minimum of 250 acres would include hand and mechanical thinning to achieve 150 trees per acre in plantations and to establish 15 feet between crowns of oak trees, dead trees will be removed to a density not to exceed five per acre, and pruning will occur to limb trees to 10 feet. All work will be performed in compliance with the California Forest Practices Act and an adopted Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan (NTMP) prepared for the property (No. N4-99-6; Von Der Ahe NTMP), which was approved by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) on July 20, 1999.