

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of:

From: (Public Agency):
California Natural Resources Agency
1416 9th Street, Rm 1311, Sacramento CA 95814
(Address)

Project Title: Sierra Buttes/ Lakes Basin Acquisition Program - Smailes Property

Project Applicant: Sierra County Land Trust

Project Location - Specific:

Sierra County Assessor's Parcel Number 008-070-022. Latitude: 39.613790000 Longitude: -120.673544000

Project Location - City: near Sierra City Project Location - County: Sierra

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Acquisition of a 120-acre parcel using Prop 68 funds that have been awarded to Sierra County Land Trust from California Natural Resources Agency, Cultural, Community, and Natural Resources Program. The property will be used for public open space to ensure the protection and management of natural resources.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Natural Resources Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sierra County Land Trust, Laurie Oberholtzer, Exec. Dir.

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15313 (a), 15325 (a)(f)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Land acquisition only, for the purposes of wildlife conservation, and to preserve existing natural conditions- forest land and habitat protection. No development is proposed. Categorical Exemption Section 15313(a) consists of the acquisition of lands for fish and wildlife habitat. Section 15325(a)(c)(f) Class 25 consists of transfers of ownership of interests in land in order to preserve open space, habitat, or historical resources.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Larelle Burkham-Greydanus Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916 651-7590

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 3/10/20 Title: Deputy Assistant Secretary

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

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