

**Notice of Exemption****Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: \_\_\_\_\_

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**From:** (Public Agency): CA Dept. of Water Resources  
2440 Main Street  
Red Bluff, CA 96080

(Address)

Project Title: Property Acquisition at Cherokee Canal

Project Applicant: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

**Project Location - Specific:**

The proposed project site lies within Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 2 East of the Shippee USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map in Butte County. The parcel number is 029-070-022-000 (SSJDD parcels 12582A &

Project Location - City: nearest town: Richvale Project Location - County: Butte

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

DWR proposes to purchase a 17-acre parcel along Cherokee Canal to continue using it for staging, stockpiling, and storage. Security fencing and lighting would be constructed on a small portion of the parcel, and storage containers may be placed on a portion of the parcel.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Water Resources

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Water Resources

**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: 15301, 15303, 15304, 15061(b)(3)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

Continued material stockpiling would result in minor, intermittent alterations of land and would not require removal of trees. Fencing and lighting construction and storage container placement would involve the new construction and location of small structures in open grassland or previously disturbed areas. Maintenance of grassland areas would involve negligible expansion of existing use. No significant impacts would occur.

**Lead Agency**

Contact Person: Amy Lyons Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 528-7439

**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: Mitra Emami Date: 2/22/2021 Title: Office Chief

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: \_\_\_\_\_