

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 212
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From: (Public Agency) Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205
Auburn, CA 95603
(Address)

County Clerk
County of:
Plumas
520 Main Street, Room 102
Quincy, CA 95971

Lassen
220 S Lassen St. Suite 5
Susanville, CA 96130

Project Title: Thompson Peak Initiative Planning

Project Location – Specific:
Southeast quadrant of the greater Susanville, CA community. The project will occur within the Thompson Peak Initiative treatment planning area, located less than one mile south and west of Milford, approximately 1.5 miles south and east of Janesville, and west of route 395.

Project Location - City: Less than one mile south and west of Milford, and approximately 1.5 miles south and east of Janesville
Project Location - County: Lassen, Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The Sierra Nevada Conservancy would provide \$250,000 in funding for planning and feasibility studies related to fuel and hazard reduction for approximately 14,082 acres within the 92,703 acre Thompson Peak Initiative planning area located in Lassen and Plumas Counties near Milford and Janesville. Funding would be used to complete resource surveys and prepare CEQA and NEPA documentation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc.

Exempt Status: (check one)

- No Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- No Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- No Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- No Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:
- Yes** Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262, "Feasibility and Planning Studies"

Reasons why project is exempt:
This is a planning project involving data collection and the preparation of environmental analysis documents; it does not involve physical alterations to the environment. Specific actions include resource surveys and preparation of NEPA and CEQA documents that evaluate future possible actions. However, those actions have not been approved, and the completion of these environmental documents will not have a legally binding effect on future activities.


Lead Agency

Contact Person: Shannon Ciotti

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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:  7BE7439E69B3413... Date: 3/4/2021 Title: Deputy Executive Officer

Signed by Lead Agency: Yes

Signed by Applicant: No

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.