

# Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency) Sierra Nevada Conservancy  
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205  
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County Clerk  
County of: El Dorado  
360 Fair Lane  
Placerville, CA 95667

Project Title: Trestle Mastication Project - SNC 1327

Project Location – Specific:

Five treatment areas centered at approximately 38°36'58.28"N and 120°34'4.77"W; 38°36'49.77"N and 120°33'7.30"W; 38°36'40.35"N and 120°32'33.82"W; 38°37'34.67"N and 120°32'16.13"W; 38°37'6.20"N and 120°30'0.71"W

Project Location - City: Grizzly Flats

Project Location - County: El Dorado

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) would provide funding for hazardous fuel reduction and thinning treatments on at least 317 acres of federal land within the Eldorado National Forest. The treatment area is located within the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) of the community of Grizzly Flats, which is a designated Community at Risk in the Federal Register due to its location within a high fire threat area. Implementation of the fuel reduction and forest thinning treatments would create buffers and shaded fuel breaks at strategic locations throughout the WUI to reduce the risk of high severity wildfire.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: National Wild Turkey Federation

Exempt Status:

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Public Resources Code Section 4799.05(d)(1)

Reasons why project is exempt:

CEQA does not apply to prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects undertaken on federal lands to reduce the risk of high-severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the NEPA if the primary role of a state or local agency is providing funding or staffing for those projects. The SNC would provide funding for fuels reduction treatments on at least 317 acres of federal land within the Eldorado National Forest. The proposed activities were reviewed in their entirety under NEPA in the Trestle Forest Health Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the Record of Decision. The Record of Decision for the Trestle Forest Health Project was signed by the U.S. Forest Service on September 12, 2017.

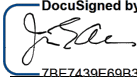
Lead Agency

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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

DocuSigned by:  
  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 7/15/2021 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.