

# Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency) Sierra Nevada Conservancy  
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County Clerk  
County of: Amador  
810 Court Street  
Jackson, CA 95642

Project Title: Tiger Creek Fuel Break Enhancement Project - SNC 1330

Project Location – Specific:  
Eleven treatment areas centered at approximately 38°26'31.35"N and 120°30'44.03"W

Project Location - City: North of Buckhorn/Rabb Park/Deer Ridge/Mace Meadows/Silver Lake Pines/Pioneer subdivisions

Project Location - County: Amador

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) would provide funding for fuel reduction treatments on at least 41 acres of federal land under Bureau of Land Management (BLM) jurisdiction. The treatment area is a part of a larger 1,195-acre fuel and fire hazard reduction project previously funded by SNC. This project includes using hand treatments to reduce fuel on steep slopes where prior mechanical treatments were not able to reach. This project would reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire for local communities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Amador Fire Safe Council

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 41 acres of federal land under BLM jurisdiction. The proposed activities were reviewed in their entirety under NEPA in the Tiger Creek Fuels Reduction and Watershed Protection Project Environmental Assessment, Decision Record, and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The Decision Record/FONSI for the Tiger Creek Fuels Reduction and Watershed Protection Project was signed by BLM on August 22, 2019.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Shannon Ciotti Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 906-7345

- 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

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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.