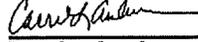


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through 08/14/2021

Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk
BY: 
Carrie Anderson, Deputy Clerk



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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department
2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403
(707) 565-1900 Fax (707) 565-1103

Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A-11 of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

Project Title: Gualala Ranch Homeowner's Association Roadside Clearing

Project Number: N/A

Lead Agency / County Agency of Filing: Sonoma County

Project Proponent (Applicant): Gualala Ranch Homeowner's Association

Applicant Address: Gualala Ranch Homeowners Association PO Box 203 Cazadero, CA 95421

Project Location: Gualala Ranch Homeowner's Association: Brain Ridge Road, Niesrath Road, High Road, Camper Creek Road, Seaview Ridge Road.

Cazadero, CA 95421

Date of Approval: June 2nd, 2021

Exemption Filed With: Sonoma County Clerk

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

As part of the 2021 Vegetation Management Grant Program, the County of Sonoma has approved grant funding for the Gualala Ranch Homeowner's Association to purchase a chipper/shredder and a 500-gallon portable water tank. Funds will also pay for maintenance supplies for the equipment, and contracted environmental consulting services.

The project will consist of the clearing of dense undergrowth of ladder fuels and trees 6 inches DBH or less. Standing dead trees will be removed, and healthy, mature trees will be imbed to a minimum 8 feet vertically. The work will create shaded fuel breaks along 12.2 miles of roads, no less than 15 feet on both sides of the roads. The road segments where work will take place are:

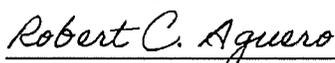
- Brain Ridge Road: From Fort Ross Rd to Reservoir Rd to Niesrath Rd
- Niesrath Road: From Fort Ross Rd to Fernfield Rd to High Road
- High Road: From Fernfield Rd to Creighton Ridge Rd/FTRVFD St.1
- Camper Creek Road: From Fernfield Rd to Seaview Ranch Rd FTRVFD St.3
- Seaview Ranch Road: From King Ridge Rd to Bohan Dillon Rd

REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections, Section 15301 (c) Maintenance of existing highways and streets and 15304 (i) Minor Alteration to Land-Fuel management activities within 100 feet of structures to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, provided that the activities will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. The removal of the dead, dying and hazardous trees and chipping program is a maintenance activity of an existing facility involving no expansion of use. The understory fuel reduction is a minor alteration to land that involves fuel management activities within 100 feet of structures.

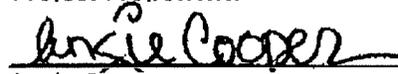
This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person:



Robert Aguero, RPF 3062
Senior Environmental Specialist
Permit Sonoma
Natural Resources
707-565-3718

Project Proponent:


Angie Cooper
Vegetation Management Coordinator
Gualala Ranch HOA
707-847-3611



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2021 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/21) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
49-07142021-240

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 07/14/2021
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 21-0714-03
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PROJECT TITLE
GUALALA RANCH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION ROADSIDE CLEARING

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME GUALALA RANCH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 565-3718
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS PO BOX 203	CITY CAZADERO	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 95421
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,445.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,480.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,171.25	\$ _____

Exempt from fee

Notice of Exemption (attach)

CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$ _____ \$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash Credit Check Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ \$50.00

SIGNATURE <i>X Carrie Anderson</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Carrie Anderson, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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