

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): _____

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: _____

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific:

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: _____

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) is proposing to conduct tree removal/trimming activities within Caltrans' right-of-way along both lanes of State Route 36 in Tehama County from post mile R25.4 to 27.9 as part of the company's Wildfire and Safety Plan (WSP) and Community Wildfire Safety Program (CWSP). Ten trees would be removed and one tree would be pruned within Caltrans' right-of-way. PG&E would also utilize Caltrans' right-of-way to access tree removal/trimming activities outside Caltrans' right-of-way (this work would include the removal of 8 trees and trimming of 5 trees). Work-generated debris smaller than approximately four inches in diameter would be chipped in areas with chipper accessibility. Cleared vegetation and woody debris (including chips) would be disposed of in a manner to ensure it does not enter surface water or a watercourse. The project would result in no ground disturbance. Traffic control would be provided while performing the work.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: _____

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The California Department of Transportation has determined the project to be categorically exempt in accordance with Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), Class 1 (Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination), Subclass (h)—Maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth, and water supply reservoirs (excluding the use of pesticides, as defined in Section 12753, Division 7, Chapter 2, Food and Agricultural Code). The project would have no significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: _____ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

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: Emiliano Pro Date: _____ Title: _____

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: _____