



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

Table with 2 columns: To (Office of Planning and Research) and From (California Department of Parks and Recreation)

Project Title: Tahoe National Forest Development, Yuba River Ranger District - Yuba Enhancement Trails Phase 1

Project Applicant: USFS Tahoe National Forest

Project Location - Specific: Yuba River Ranger District

Project Location - City: near Downieville

Project Location - County: Sierra

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project includes re-routing 2.3 miles of existing steep trail to reduce trail grades to 5-10%, developing one new 0.3-mile trail to provide a safe connector linking two trails, and installing a 20-foot-long Sutter retaining wall along Lavezolla Ranch Road.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: USFS Tahoe National Forest

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption (CE). Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
Activity not subject to CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

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- [X] Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: