

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Sonoma Resource Conservation District
1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

County Clerk
County of: Sonoma

(Address)

Project Title: North Bay Forest Improvement Program - Tennican

Project Applicant: Elizabeth Tennican

Project Location - Specific:
4504 Pine Flat Road

Project Location - City: Healdsburg Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the project is to replant trees in the footprint of the 2019 Kincade Fire and to reduce hazardous fuels which have built up as a result of the fire. Treatments will include site preparation for the success of the seedlings. Fuels treatments will target roughly 100-300 trees per acre with the majority of trees to be treated will be under 4" DBH. Residual trees between 4-8" DBH will be spaced such that no tree will be closer than 14 feet to another. Treatments in all units will cut down dead trees under 8" DBH, and this material will either be scattered to a height not to exceed 18" off the ground or piled

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sonoma Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Elizabeth Tennican

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. State type and section number: 15304 Minor Alteration to Land
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt because the planned activities meet the definition of "forestry" in PRC§753, and have been reviewed and approved by a Registered Professional Forester in consultation with experts from other pertinent fields who have attested that the activities proposed in this project will only have the potential for at most impacts that are less than significant to the environment, having provided adequate measures for avoidance of sensitive environmental resources. Project activities will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees, and will not result in a substantial alteration of the current function of the land. Project specific analysis is on file at the RCD.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Jason Wells, RPF#3014 Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-569-1448 x-107

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: [Signature] Date: 12/21/2021 Title: Executive Director

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: