

# Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: Sierra Nevada Conservancy  
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County Clerk  
County of: Plumas  
520 Main St, No. 102 Quincy, CA  
95971

Project Title: WIP Capacity Program Subgrant - Feather River Resource Conservation District SNC965-RFFCP

Project Location – Specific: Planning activities across Plumas County

Project Location - City: Quincy and other towns in the region      Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
The Sierra Nevada Conservancy would provide funding for project prioritization and partner engagement towards planning for forest health and fire protection projects across Plumas County. This includes project scoping, public comments, and resource surveys needed to complete National Environmental Policy Act and California Environmental Quality Act analysis for the approximately 5000-acre potential fuels reduction and community protection project in the WUI on the north side of the town of Quincy.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Feather River Resource Conservation District


Exempt Status:  
Categorical Exemption: Section 15306, Information Collection (Class 6)  
Statutory Exemption: Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies)

Reasons why project is exempt:  
The project is Statutorily Exempt under Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies, of the CEQA Guidelines. This project involves only planning studies for possible future actions which neither the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, nor any other agency, has not approved, adopted, or funded. There are no ground disturbing actions which would impact environmental factors. These planning actions do not have a legally binding effect on later activities. The project is also categorically exempt under CEQA Section 15306, Information Collection (Class 6) because it consists of basic data collection and analysis and resource evaluation activities which do not result in any disturbance to an environmental resource. The project purpose is for information gathering as part of an assessment and study leading to a potential future action which has not yet approved, adopted, or funded.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Mary Akens      Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-450-5177

**If filed by applicant: NA**

- 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:       Date: 7/19/2022      Title: Chief 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.