

# Notice of Exemption

# Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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 County of: Nevada  
 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 210  
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From: (Public Agency): Town of Truckee  
10183 Truckee Airport Road  
Truckee, CA 96161  
 (Address)

Project Title: Single-Use Foodware Reduction Ordinance

Project Applicant: Town of Truckee 10183 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, CA 96161

Project Location - Specific:  
Town-wide, Town of Truckee, Nevada County

Project Location - City: Truckee Project Location - County: Nevada

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Ordinance requirements include: (1) a ban on expanded polystyrene, effective April 1, 2023; (2) a requirement for restaurants to provide reusable foodware for in-house dining; and (3) a \$0.25 customer fee on disposable takeout containers and cups provided.  
 The objective of this ordinance is to reduce the use of all single-use foodware products, foster a cultural shift towards reusables, and reduce lifecycle impacts, including production, transportation, and disposal of foodware products. Reusable foodware products have a significantly lower GHG impact than all disposables due to their lower upstream impacts per use. Although recyclable and compostable products may seem like viable alternatives, these products are still single-use and have significant lifecycle GHG impacts and often still end up in a landfill. The policies in this ordinance push our community towards self-reliance and source reduction, the most preferred practice of waste treatment methods.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Town of Truckee Town Council

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Town of Truckee

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: 15307 & 15308
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Exempt per Section 15061(b)(3)**

Reasons why project is exempt:

Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), the adoption of this ordinance does not have potential for causing a significant effect on the environment and is therefore not subject to the CEQA Guidelines. The ordinance serves to establish requirements to reduce the production and disposal of disposable foodware products and will not result in any construction or any other physical change to the environment. The adoption of this ordinance ~~rather~~ protects natural resources and the environment. Therefore, this ordinance is further exempt from CEQA Guidelines Sections 15307 and 15308, which exempt actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, or enhancement of a natural resource.

Lead Agency  
 Contact Person: Melanie Conti Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-582-2496

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: Melanie Conti Date: 11/10/22 Title: Sustainability Program Analyst

▪ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

