



# NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

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Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

**Project Title:** Outdoor & Mixed Light Cannabis Cultivation; File No. UPC18-0046

**Public Agency:** Sonoma County

**Project Applicant:** Evergreen Acres, LLC

**Applicant Address:** 6699 Palmer Creek Road, Healdsburg, CA 95448

**Project Location:** 6699 Palmer Creek Road, Healdsburg, CA 95448

**Date of Denial:** January 24, 2023

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office  
County of Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Office of Planning and  
Research

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk**

**BY:** 

**Julianna Garfia, Deputy Clerk**

## DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:

The request for a five-year limited term Use Permit for 10,000 square feet of mixed-light cannabis cultivation, 29,400 square feet of outdoor cannabis cultivation, the conversion of 1.8 acres of timberland to a non-timber growing use, installation of a 97,000-gallon water storage tank, and construction of a 782,907-gallon water storage pond located on a 34.04-acre parcel zoned Resources and Rural Development (RRD) at 6699 Palmer Creek Road, Healdsburg was denied by the Board of Supervisors on January 24, 2023. The cannabis operation would employ up to eight staff (six full-time employees and two seasonal/part-time employees). Outdoor harvesting activities and mixed-light cultivation activities would be conducted seven days a week, 24-hours per day as needed although the project description estimates general hours of operation from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Saturday. Deliveries and shipping would be limited to the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. The operation would not be open to the public.

## EXEMPT STATUS:

Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(5)

CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(4) and 15270(a)

## REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The Proposed Project is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(5), which states that CEQA does not apply to projects that a public agency rejects or disapproves, as well as CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(4), which provides that a project is exempt from CEQA review if it is disapproved, and CEQA Guidelines section 15270(a), which provides that CEQA does not apply to projects that are rejected or disapproved.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

## Lead Agency Contact Person:



Marina Herrera, Project Planner  
Permit and Resource Management Department  
Project Review Division  
(707) 565-2397

**This notice was posted on 02/03/2023  
and will remain posted for a period of thirty days  
through 03/06/2023**

**Doc No.49-02032023-040**



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2023 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: <b>49-02032023-040</b>
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE <b>02/03/2023</b>
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER <b>23-0203-04</b>
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PROJECT TITLE  
**OUTDOOR & MIXED LIGHT CANNABIS CULTIVATION FILE NO UPC 18-0046**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME <b>EVERGREEN ACRES LLC</b>	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER <b>(707) 565-1900</b>
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS <b>6699 PALMER CREEK RD</b>	CITY <b>HEALDSBURG</b>	STATE <b>CA</b>	ZIP CODE <b>95448</b>
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**PROJECT APPLICANT** (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency    
  School District    
  Other Special District    
  State Agency    
 Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**


<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,839.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,764.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,305.25	\$ _____

Exempt from fee  
 Notice of Exemption (attach)  
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$ <u>          <b>\$50.00</b>          </u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$ _____

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Cash   
 Credit   
 Check   
 Other   
TOTAL RECEIVED    \$           **\$50.00**          

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE <b>Julianna Garfia, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder</b>
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