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Attention: Casey Liebler, Natural Resources Planner

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Notice of Exemption

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Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814 From:

Yolo County Department of Community Services Natural Resources Division 292 West Beamer Street Woodland, CA 95695

Project Title: Leok Po: Beneficial Fire Awareness Workshop Series

Project Location – Specific: Four Yolo County owned properties along Lower Cache Creek – Cache Creek Nature Preserve (APN 025-360-064); Correll Property (025-340-036); Granite Woodland Reiff Property (APN 025-350-035); Millsap Property (025-450-013)

Project Location - City/County: Unincorporated Yolo County

Description of nature and purpose of the Project: The Cache Creek Conservancy is proposing to conduct a series of annual two-day workshops at the Cache Creek Nature Preserve property. The workshops will provide training to state, regional, local, and tribal firefighting professionals with the skills and opportunity to practice traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) as it relates to cultural burns. Following the workshops, designated areas owned by the County along Lower Cache Creek will be burned using TEK practices. The benefits of these burns include restoration of oak woodlands, native grasslands, and riparian areas. The burns also promote carbon storage on the landscape and reduces accumulated fuel storage. Additionally, the burns promote native plant and wildlife species habitat, improve habitat resiliency, and reduce wildfire risk to local resources and to nearby residents.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Yolo County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Cache Creek Conservancy (Nancy Ullrey, Executive Director)

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption. CEQA Guidelines Section 15304, Class 4

Reasons why project is exempt: The Leok Po: Beneficial Fire Awareness Workshop Series project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15034, Class 4, which consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes. The minor land alterations proposed by the project consist of native habitat burning treatments to improve habitat health and manage the risk of wildlife. The project would not result in significant adverse effects on the environment or any exceptions to the exemption.

Signature (Lead Agency)

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