

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



State of California  
The Natural Resources Agency  
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	Highway 36 East Fuels Reduction Project		
<b>PROJECT LOCATION</b>	Within the ROW of the South side of Highway 36 East. T27N R3W, Sec. 10 MDBM	<b>COUNTY</b>	Tehama
<b>LEAD AGENCY</b>	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

**Objectives:** To reduce hazardous roadside fuels profiles within the wildland and wildland urban interface areas in the state responsibility area of the Red Bluff community, while maintaining safe evacuation routes during potential emergencies. **Treatment Methods:** This project will be accomplished using CALFIRE engine companies and/or fire crews who will use fire apparatus, hand tools and firing techniques to burn annual grasses using drip torches while maintaining control of fire through the use of wet lines and natural barriers to keep fire within the ROW. **Location:** A 1.54-acre section in the CAL TRANS ROW on the south side of Highway 36E starting from post mile marker 45 and ending at the intersection of Stice Road and Highway 36E. **Timing:** Work is subject to weather but should take place in late spring of 2023 after the grasses have cured. Work is scheduled to take two days and will occur during the overnight hours to reduce any disruption to normal traffic patterns. Once established, the project will require maintenance annually by reburning the grass as needed.

### EXEMPTION STATUS

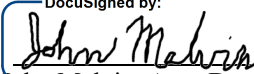
- Categorical Exemption Class 4 § 15304– Minor alterations to Land  
 Statutory Exemption (state code section):  
 Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)  
 Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))  
 Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

### REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project fits under portions of Class 4 § 15304 – Minor alterations to Land

Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply that would preclude the use of a notice of exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland or timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation or traffic, utilities and service systems, and wildfire. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's Tehama-Glenn Unit Headquarters.

### DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING

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 John Melvin, Asst. Deputy Director Date  
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