

## Notice of Exemption

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**Project Title:** Croftwood Lake Open Space Preserve Fire Fuel Management (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. PLA-28164-R2) Agreement Extension

**Project Location:** The project is located at Secret Ravine, in the County of Placer, State of California; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 453-010-032 and 435-020-021. The project location covered by the Agreement is limited to a 30-foot-wide fire fuels management zone located on the eastern bank of Secret Ravine withing the Croftwood Lake Open Space Preserve, immediately adjacent to the fence line separating the Crown Point Subdivision from the Preserve parcels.

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed an extension of Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number PLA-28164-R2, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1605, subdivisions (b) and (d).

The project includes a 10-15 ft fire fuels buffer from the existing fence line, with an additional 5-10 ft shaded fuel break to eliminate ladder fuels. The proposed activities would be limited to clearing low stature vegetation (i.e., weeds, shrubs, and grasses) with hand tools and trimming/thinning of trees to raise the canopy and eliminate ground cover/brush/ladder fuels within the drip lines. All debris generated will be hauled offsite. No native trees with a diameter at breast height in excess of four inches will be removed. CDFW is extending the Agreement term for an additional five years to March 17, 2028.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project:** Network Community Management

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 4; California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15304(i)

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 4 because the project is limited to fuel management activities within 30 feet of structures to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation where the activities will not result in the taking or endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters.

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