

# Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk  
County of: Tuolumne

From: (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_  
Tuolumne Co. Resource Conservation District  
PO Box 4394 Sonora CA 95370

(Address)

**Filed**

Project Title: Climate Resilience Through Habitat Restoration

MAY 22 2023

Project Applicant: Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

Tuolumne County Clerk  
By: *[Signature]*  
Deputy

Across Tuolumne County - project dependent upon landowner involvement.

Project Location - City: Tuolumne Co. Project Location - County: Tuolumne

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

**Purpose is to place and monitor bird and bat nesting/roosting structures on existing structures on private lands through voluntary agreements with willing landowners.**

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District

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: 14 CCR Section 15304(d) Minor alteration to land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

**This Project fits within Class 4 of a categorical exemption(minor alteration of land) of CA CEQA guidelines. Affixing wildlife nesting and roosting structures and camera traps to existing structures will have minimal impact on the environment.**

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Lindsay Mattos Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 2095599066

**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: *L. Mattos* Date: May 22, 2023 Title: District Manger

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: \_\_\_\_\_

April 19th, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-03

RESOLUTION OF THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE APPROVAL OF CEQA FINDINGS AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILE A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR THE CLIMATE RESILIENCE THROUGH HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, The function of the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District is to take available technical, financial, and educational resources and coordinate them so that they meet the needs of local land managers and citizens for conserving soil, water, and related natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Education and Outreach and Wildlife Habitat are priority natural resource issues identified in the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District's Strategic Plan to be addressed through District projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, The Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District has partnered with the Calaveras County Resource Conservation District to implement a Wildlife Habitat project;

WHEREAS, the Calaveras County Resource Conservation District and California Association of Resource Conservation Districts require environmental review for this grant funded project;

WHEREAS, the Climate Resilience Through Habitat Restoration will place and monitor bird and bat nesting and roosting structures on existing structures on private lands through voluntary agreements with willing landowners.

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District hereby finds that the Climate Resilience Through Habitat Restoration will not have any adverse effects on the environment. There will be no significant adverse impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitats. There will be no hazardous materials at or around the project sites. The project will avoid all archeological resource sites. The project will not result in cumulatively significant impacts.

It is further RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District hereby finds that the Project is Exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15304, which exempts minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation.

It is further RESOLVED that the Board of Directors directs the Chair or District Manager to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk of Tuolumne County and State Clearinghouse.


THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District at a meeting of the Board held on the 19 day of April '23. Motion by S. Dietrich and second by M. Sandella.

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: 4  
ABSTAIN: 0  
AYES:  
NOES:

NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 2  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

Submitted by 

  
Board Chair, Kirk Ford