

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:**  
Office of Planning and Research  
1400 10th Street, Room 121  
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**From:**  
California Tahoe Conservancy  
1061 Third Street  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

**Project Title:** Lake Valley Fire Protection District (LVFPD) Planning Capacity Grant

**Project Location – Specific:** The south side of the Lake Tahoe Basin within LVFPD's jurisdictional boundaries.

**Project Location – City:** N/A

**Project Location – County:** El Dorado County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** the LVFPD will be responsible for planning and preparing for the implementation of high priority fuels reduction and wildfire prevention projects on state, local government, and private lands in the South Shore area of the Lake Tahoe Basin. This work will be done in coordination with the Conservancy, the Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team (TFFT), the Tahoe Resource Conservation District, and other Basin partners. Once implemented, the fuels reduction and wildfire prevention projects will help to restore the resilience of Basin forests and watersheds, foster Basin-wide climate change adaption, reduce fire risk for communities, and increase the capacity for planning and implementing projects in the Basin.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Tahoe Conservancy

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Lake Valley Fire Protection District

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (§ 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption – Class 6, § 15306. (See also Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 12102.6.)

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The Class 6 categorical exemption applies to projects that consist of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities, which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The project planning activities contemplated under this grant are consistent with this exemption. Implementation activities are not included, and will be subsequent to work taking place as part of this grant following project-specific CEQA review.

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