## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk Office of Planning & Research County of Lake 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222

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**FROM:** Community Development Dept

Planning Division, County of Lake

255 North Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

**PROJECT TITLE:** LAKE COUNTY WATERSHED-BASED NONPOINT SOURCE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROJECT

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Centered in Lake County, CA but benefits will be regional, surrounding Clear Lake, CA. GPS location for the center of Clear Lake, CA is 122° 43.115'W 38° 58.941'N (38.982350, -122.718583)

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Upper Cache Creek Watershed, St. Helena Watershed, Putah Creek Watershed COUNTY: Lake

**DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:** The purpose of this project is to develop a Lake County Watershed-Based Nonpoint Source Management Plan (Watershed Plan) to identify and prioritize management practices designed to capture, retain, and limit sediment loads from the landscape in Lake County to improve water quality of tributaries and direct storm water discharges to Clear Lake and other watersheds located within Lake County. This will be a planning project, working under a 319(h) grant administered by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board. Project implementation, funded by a future grant(s) will include additional CEQA measures as appropriate.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: County of Lake

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Lake County Watershed Protection District

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies

Section 15306 Information Collection

Section 15307 Class 7 Actions Taken by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources

Section 15308 Class 8 Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** This project is consistent with the above exemption determinations because it is a planning project that will not physically alter or change any physical land or space except in the small instances where monitoring activities will apply such as the monitoring of water quality, sediment sampling, or photos or surveys, will be needed to collect data to inform the plan design.

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Signed by Lead Agency: County of Lake