

Notice of Exemption

To: County Clerk District

From: Sonoma Resource Conservation

County of: Sonoma
585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

Project Title: Sharp/Heide Ranch Road Evacuation Support Project

Project Location – Specific:

Sharp/Heide Ranch Road from the Napa County Line northwest to Petrified Forest Road and north along Petrified Forest Road, approximately two miles southwest of Calistoga, CA, and 3.5 miles northeast of Santa Rosa, CA. Coordinates of southeastern end: 38.547383, -122.581592. Coordinates of northwestern end: 38.569856, -122.626742.

Project Location - City: Calistoga

Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Napa Communities Firewise Foundation (NCFE) will implement treatments to reduce wildfire risk by reducing hazardous woody fuels, enhancing access (ingress) for fire suppression personnel, and improving egress of the evacuation route for the communities adjacent to Sharp/Heide Ranch Road. The project area encompasses a total of approximately 37.4 acres in eastern Sonoma County along a 3.4-mile length of paved and unpaved road. Sharpe/Heide Road has been traditionally maintained by local landowners and provided a critical evacuation route for residents in the 2020 Glass Fire. The road is currently impassable by low-clearance or two-wheel-drive vehicles, particularly at five heavily-eroded watercourse crossings in the unpaved road segment. The project would repair the existing road to facilitate egress during emergencies, improve road drainage to minimize concentration of storm flows and additional erosion from road surfaces, and to reduce wildfire risk along the road by reducing hazardous fuel loading to facilitate its use as an evacuation route.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sonoma Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Napa Communities Firewise Foundation

P.O. Box 440 B. ST. HELENA, CA 94574

Exempt Status: (check one)

- No Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- No Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- No Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Yes Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities and Class 4 Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- No Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 Existing Facilities and Section 15304 Minor Alterations

This notice was posted on 08/22/2023 and will remain posted for a period of thirty days through 09/22/2023

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Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk
BY: *[Signature]*

Julio Montes Lopez, Deputy Clerk

to Land. Class 1 is applicable to projects that consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. NCFE will maintain the function of the existing road to facilitate evacuation and access during a fire. There will be no expansion of the existing or former use of these facilities. Class 4 is applicable to projects that consist of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes. Treatments to vegetation proposed by the project involve manual and mechanical vegetation removal along an existing paved road and chipping of biomass and have been reviewed by a Registered Professional Forester to ensure avoidance of significant impact to the environment. Biological and cultural resource assessments have been conducted for the project and further demonstrate that no significant effects would occur with implementation of the project. Project specific analysis is on file at the RCD.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jason Wells, RPF#3014
569-1448

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707)

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:  Date: 8/22/15 Title: ED

Signed by Lead Agency: Yes

Signed by Applicant: No

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

SONOMA COUNTY RECORDER
585 FISCAL DR.
103
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403
TERMINAL NAME: E4711305

ORDER# 167620383

PURCHASE

COUNTER PAYMENT \$50.00
AGENCY SUBTOTAL: \$50.00
LEXISNEXIS SERVICE FEE: \$2.50
TOTAL USD: \$52.50

CARD #: 6350 VISA
PAYMENT: CREDIT CHIP READ-CONTACT
MODE: ISSUER
AUTH CODE: 005726
VAL CODE: KXX9
TRAN REF #: 463234801637964
REC #: 0007
APP LABEL: VISA CREDIT
CVM: NO SIG REQUIRED
AID: A6K0060003101001
ARC: 991FC63C22C16C87
AMOUNT: \$52.50
*** CARD APPROVED ***

AMOUNT PAID:
\$52.50

I AGREE TO PAY ABOVE TOTAL AMOUNT
ACCORDING TO CARD ISSUER AGREEMENT
(MERCHANT AGREEMENT IF CREDIT VOUCHER)

RETAIN THIS COPY FOR
STATEMENT VERIFICATION

CUSTOMER COPY

Deva Marie Proto
Sonoma County
County Clerk, Recorder, Assessor
585 Fiscal Drive, Suite 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
(707) 565-3800
sonomacounty.ca.gov/CRA

Receipt: 23-40912

Product Name	Extended
FISH CLERK FISH AND WILDLIFE FILING	\$50.00
# Pages	2
Document #	49-08222023-282
Document Info:	SONOMARESOURCE CONSERVATION
Filing Type	NOE
No F&W Fee- prev paid (requires copy)	false

Total	\$50.00
Tender (Credit Card)	\$50.00
Paid By	JASON WELLS
Order #	167620383

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**8/22/23 3:16 PM jmontes
Clerk**



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2023 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
49-08222023-282

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA RESOURCE CONSERVATION	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 08/22/2023
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 23-0822-02
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PROJECT TITLE
SHARP/HEIDE RANCH ROAD EVACUATION SUPPORT PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME NAPA COMMUNITIES FIREWISE FOUNDATION	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 569-1448
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS PO BOX 440B	CITY SAINT HELENA	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 94574
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,839.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,764.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,305.25	\$ _____

Exempt from fee
 Notice of Exemption (attach)
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$ _____ \$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ \$50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Julio Montes Lopez, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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