



# NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

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Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

**Project Title:** Mark West Creek Trail

**Public Agency:** Sonoma County

**Project Applicant:** Conservation Corps North Bay

**Applicant Address:** 365 Blodgett St, Cotati, CA 94931

**Project Location:** 5750 Faught Rd, Windsor, CA 95492

**Date of Approval:** 6/12/2023

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office

County of Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Office of Planning and

Research

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113

Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

## DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:

Vegetation management and invasive species removal will be conducted along Mark West Creel Trail and the surrounding properties at Shiloh Ranch Regional Park adjacent to the trail. Invasive French and Scotch Broom will be removed manually by group of Conservation Corp members and dead or dying trees smaller than 12 inches in diameter will be removed using chainsaws. This work is meant to create a fire break benefiting the regional park and surrounding properties. The vegetation management work will also provide hands on training for the Conservation Corps North Bay members involved in the project.

## EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption. 15304(i) Minor Alterations to Land

## REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections, Section 15304(i) Minor Alterations to Land. Fuel management activities within 30 to 100 feet of structures to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, provided that the activities will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

## Lead Agency Contact Person:

*Aldo Lopez*

Aldo Lopez, Senior Environmental Specialist

Permit Sonoma

Natural Resources Division

(707) 565-1220

**Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk**

BY: *Bryant Hill*

Bryant Hill, Deputy Clerk

This notice was posted on 12/08/2023

and will remain posted for a period of thirty days through 01/08/2024

**Doc No.49-12082023-395**



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:  
49-12082023-395

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 12/08/2023
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 23-1208-02
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PROJECT TITLE  
MARK WEST CREEK TRAIL

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CONSERVATION CORPS NORTH BAY	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 565-1220
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 365 BLODGETT ST	CITY COTATI	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 94931
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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 Bryant Hill, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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