

## NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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Cultivation Licensing Branch

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<u>Project Title</u>: To Sages Way LLC (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located at 19650 and 19546 Sages Rd, Nevada City CA, 95959, in Nevada County.

County: Nevada

## **Project Description:**

The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Procession Code Division 10, Chapter 2, Section 26012, approved a Cannabis Specialty Outdoor Cultivation License. The project is located on a rural, 20.00-acre parcel in a Forest Zoning District. This approval is for 14,950 square feet of outdoor canopy area distributed between fifteen (15) planter boxes; and 172 square feet of support area consisting of a 160 square foot shipping container for harvest storage and a 12 square foot pesticide and agricultural chemical storage area. The site is accessed from Sages Road and is served by an existing well for water and an existing septic system for sewage disposal. Full-time tasks on site will be performed by a resident of the parcel and no employees are included with the operation. **No noise producing equipment is proposed for this operation** and no lighting is proposed. The original project site was located in an area that required vegetation removal. Although the amendment is an expansion in size, it is still within the same area of disturbance that was analyzed in the original biological memorandum, which was determined to not have protected biological resources. Due to no employees being included in the operation, no additional vehicle trips are expected. A Notice of Applicability, and the Monitoring and Reporting Program were obtained by the applicant from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. An annual cultivation license from the California Department of Cannabis Control shall be obtained prior to the County Annual Cannabis Permit being issued.

## Project Activities:

The Project will consist of outdoor cannabis growing and harvesting.

Exemption Status: (check one)

☐ Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec.15269(a)]
☐ Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec.15269(b)(c)]
Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs,. Title 14, §15301]
Statutory Exemptions: [CCR, Section 15183]
General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

## Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is consistent with the local jurisdiction community plan and/or zoning designations. CEQA mandates that project is consistent with the development density established by existing zoning, community plan, or general plan policies for which an EIR was certified and shall not require additional environmental review, except as might be necessary to examine whether there are project-specific significant effects which are peculiar to the project or its site. The project activity fits within the parameters included in CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 and the activity does not require additional CEQA analysis.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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