

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From:
Western Shasta Resource Conservation District
6270 Parallel Road
Anderson, CA 96007

County Clerk
Shasta County
1450 Court Street
Redding, CA 96001

Project Title: China Gulch Fuels Reduction Project Phase II Fuel Break Expansion

Project Applicant: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District (WSRCD)

Project Location - Specific:

1) Canyon Road vicinity:

Mount Diablo Base Meridian; Township: 30N; Range: 05W; Section(s): 2;

Mount Diablo Base Meridian; Township: 31N; Range: 05W; Section(s): 35; P.B. Reading Grant; Section(s): 26

(2) Bohn Boulevard vicinity:

Mount Diablo Base Meridian; Township: 31N; Range: 05W; Section(s): 34

(3) Cloverdale vicinity:

Mount Diablo Base Meridian; Township: 30N; Range: 05W; Section(s): 6

Project Location - City: Redding, CA **Project Location - County:** Shasta County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project comprises expanding the existing approximately 530-acre China Gulch Shaded Fuel Break by approximately 70 acres predominantly across private property. The Project will create a safer community for residents of south Redding and north Happy Valley as well as provide a safer evacuation route in the event of an emergency by expanding the China Gulch Shaded Fuel Break along Shasta County roads and around housing subdivisions. The proposed expansion areas (Project Area) are located in three separate locations adjacent to the completed China Gulch Shaded Fuel Break. See attached map.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: §15304(i): Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

WSRCD has determined that the objectives of fuel reduction and the implementation activities as designed for this project will result in minor alterations to vegetation and therefore fits within the §15304 exemption. WSRCD has also determined that no exceptions exist that would preclude the use of this exemption, such as: (a) sensitive location, (b) cumulative impact, (c) significant effects on the environment, (d) impacts to scenic highways, (e) activities within a hazardous waste site, and (f) significant adverse change to the significance of any historical resource.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ross Perry Title: Project Manager Telephone: (530) 365-7332 ext. 203

Signature: _____

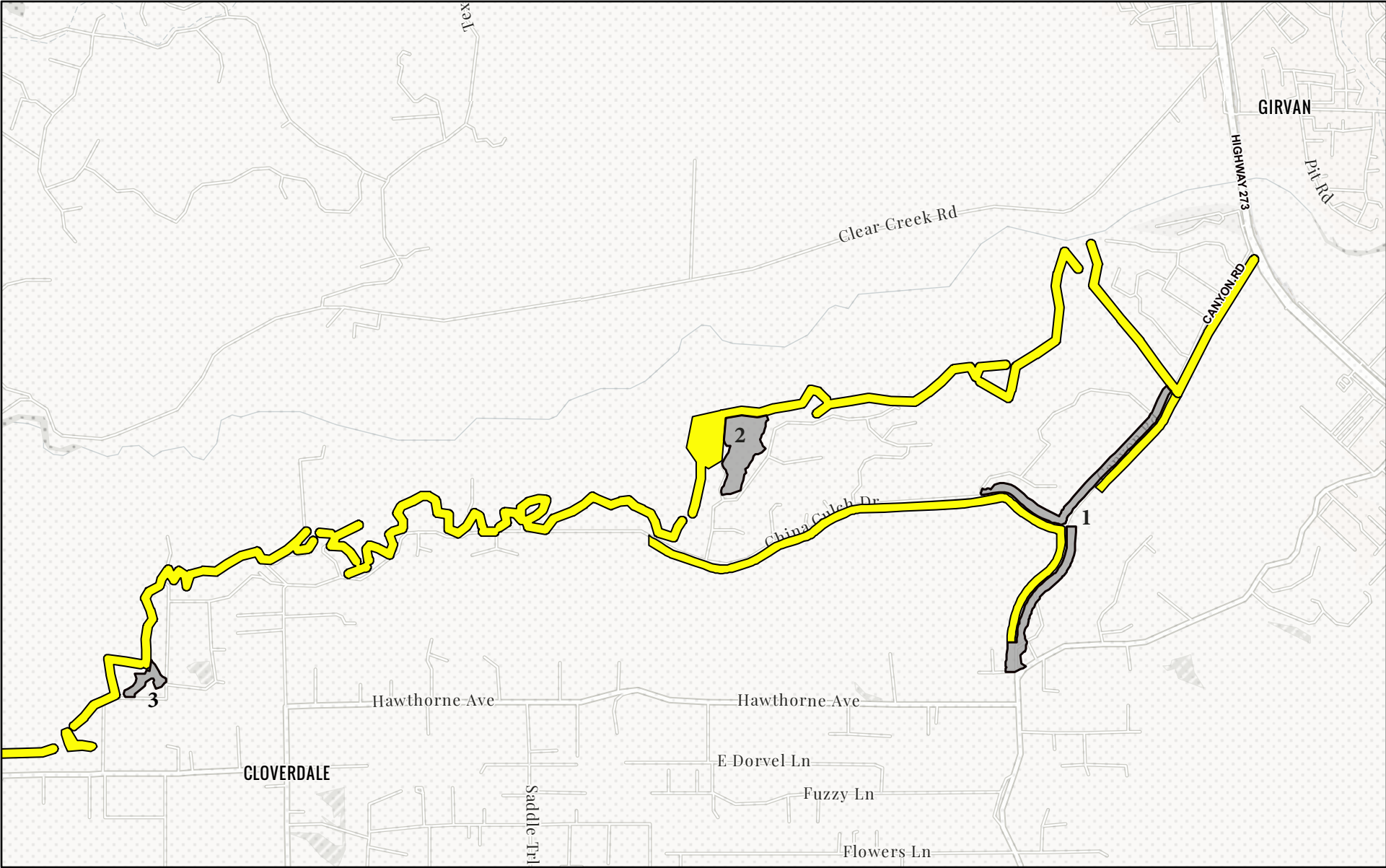
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- Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant



Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

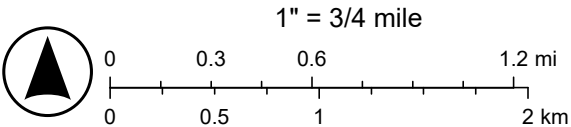
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Proposed China Gulch Shaded Fuel Break Expansion Project Vicinity Map



12/22/2023

-  Shaded Fuel Break Expansion
-  Existing Shaded Fuel Break



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