

NOTICE OF INTENT TO
ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

for

Lassen County Wildfire Recovery Project

NOTICE is given that a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared setting forth the findings that the following proposed action, Lassen County Wildfire Recovery Project, will have a less than significant adverse effect on the environment. The project area includes private non-industrial timberlands and woodlands in Lassen County impacted by the Hog Fire (2020), Sheep Fire (2020), Sugar Fire (2021), and Dixie Fire (2021). The project area is within the: Pine Lake (8637.310101); Upper Robbers Creek (5518.450102); Moonlight Pass (5518.450400); Papoose Creek (8637.200201); Goat Mountain (8637.200202); Lower Willard Creek (8637.200302); Cheney Creek (8637.200400); Upper Gold Run (8637.200803); Lower Gold Run (8637.200801); Lassen Creek (8637.200802); Sand Slough (8637.200901); Wales Canyon (8637.200904); McDermott Creek (8637.100.307); Clarks Creek (5518.550201); Bird Canyon (8637.100305); Downing Canyon (8637.100304); Willow Ranch Creek (8637.100303); Rhodesi Creek (8637.100301); Red Rock (8637.100308); and Raccoon Creek (8637.100202) watersheds.

Mount Diablo Base and Meridian (MDBM) Township 23N, Range 17E, portions of Sections 2-5, 8-10; T24N, R17E, portions of Sections 4,5,8-11, 13-16, 24-26, 34, & 35; T25N, R17E, portions of Sections 7, 17-20, & 29-33; T25, R16, portions of Sections 2,3,9-16, 22-26, & 36; T26N, R15, Section 13; T26N, R16E, portions of Sections 18-20, 28,29, 32-34; T27N, 13E, portions of Sections 1, 3,10,12 & 15; T27, R14, portions of Sections 5-8, 17, & 20; T28N, R13E, portions of Section 23, 26-27, & 36; T28, R14E, portions of Sections 30, 31; T29N, R10E, portions of Sections 1,22; T29N, R11E, portions of Sections 7,12, 22-26, 33 & 35; T29N, R12E, portions of Sections 19, 20, 22-24, & 27-34; T30N, R8E, portions of Sections 2,3,8; T30N, R10E, portions of Section 27; and T31, R7, portions of Sections 13,24, & 25.

The project area ranges in slope from flat to very steep with elevation ranges from 4,000 – 6,800 feet, and average annual precipitation of 12 inches at the lower elevations on the east side of the project to 55 inches in the higher elevations of the project. The project area lies within a wildland urban interface zone (WUI), which is an area where human habitation is mixed with areas of flammable wildland vegetation. The majority of the project area burned at medium to high severity during the Hog, Sheep, Sugar, and Dixie Fires in 2020 and 2021.

This document is proposed to be adopted and has been filed with the Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District (RCD) and on <https://ceganet.opr.ca.gov/>. It is now available for inspection and review. The review period for this Mitigated Negative Declaration is from March 29, 2024 through April 27, 2024. Written comments concerning this document will be accepted through the last day of the review period.

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