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LEAD AGENCY <b>EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT</b>	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE <b>04/08/2024</b>
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING <b>ALAMEDA</b>	DOCUMENT NUMBER <b>24 - 111</b>
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PROJECT TITLE  
**ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE FUEL ABATEMENT PROJECTS**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME <b>DAVE CARLSON</b>	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER <b>(510) 287-0921</b>
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS <b>375 ELEVENTH STREET, MS 806</b>	CITY <b>OAKLAND</b>	STATE <b>CA</b>	ZIP CODE <b>94607</b>
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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)	\$4,051.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	0.00

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	\$	0.00
<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 <b>X C. Lake</b>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE <b>C. LAKE , DEPUTY CLERK</b>
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**APR 12 2024**  
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ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER  
1106 MADISON STREET  
OAKLAND, CA 94607  
(510)272-6362

ISSUED TO:  
EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

RECEIPT # 3588258  
DATE 04/08/2024 04:38:02 PM

SERVICE	PGS	QTY	FEE
CASHIERING			
HANDLING FEE	1	1	50.00
Total Amount Due			\$50.00

CHECK 047698			50.00
Total Amount Paid			\$50.00

MELISSA WILK  
County Clerk-Recorder  
Deputy: Christine L

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# \*ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION

(CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME CODE SECTION 711.4)

## LEAD AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS

EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT  
Office of the Secretary (510) 287-0404  
375 Eleventh Street, MS 806  
Oakland, CA 94607-4240

Project: Alameda County Fire Fuel  
Abatement Projects

## FOR COUNTY CLERK USE ONLY

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MELISSA MILK, County Clerk  
By *clerk* Deputy

FILE NO: 24-111

## CLASSIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: (PLEASE MARK ONLY ONE CLASSIFICATION)

### 1. NOTICE OF EXEMPTION / STATEMENT OF EXEMPTION

A - STATUTORILY OR CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT

\$ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

### 2. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION (NOD)

A - NEGATIVE DECLARATION (OR MITIGATED NEG. DEC.)

\$ 2,916.75 - STATE FILING FEE

\$ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

B - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)

\$ 4,051.25 - STATE FILING FEE

\$ 50.00 - COUNTY CLERK HANDLING FEE

3. OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH EACH COPY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION BEING FILED WITH THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK.\*\*\*

#### BY MAIL FILINGS:

PLEASE INCLUDE FIVE (5) COPIES OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TWO (2) SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPES.

#### IN PERSON FILINGS:

PLEASE INCLUDE FIVE (5) COPIES OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND ONE (1) SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPES.

**ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING.**

FEES ARE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ALAMEDA COUNTY CLERK

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# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  
**Alameda County**  
**Clerk-Recorder's Office**  
**1106 Madison Street**  
**Oakland, CA 94607**

**FROM: (LEAD AGENCY)**  
 EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT  
 Office of the Secretary - (510) 287-0404  
 375 Eleventh Street, MS 806  
 Oakland, CA 94607-4240

Lead Agency is the Project Applicant  
 Lead Agency is Public Agency Approving Project  
 Lead Agency is Carrying Out Project

### PROJECT INFORMATION

- TITLE:** Alameda County Fire Fuel Abatement Projects
- LOCATION:** (City, County, and specific location)  
5 Alameda County Project sites depicted in Attachment A
- DESCRIPTION:** This notice of exemption describes four discrete projects located at geographically distinct and separated sites, each of which houses water infrastructure owned and operated by East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD). At each separate project site, dead, dying, and overabundant vegetation that have potential to contribute to fire will be removed. See Attachment A for more information.

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**MELISSA MILK, County Clerk**  
 By *[Signature]* Deputy

### EXEMPTION FINDING (Check one)

This project is exempt from CEQA because:

- Activity is not a project
- Activity is Ministerial (Sec.21080(b)(1); Guideline 15268)
- Activity is a Declared Emergency (Sec.21080(b)(3); Guideline 15269(a))
- Activity is an Emergency Project (Sec.21080(b)(4); Guideline 15269(b)(c))
- Activity is Categoricaly Exempt Under Guideline 15301
- Activity is Statutorily Exempt Under Guideline \_\_\_\_\_
- Reasons why project is exempt:** These projects are exempt from CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15301 because they involve no alteration of existing public utility structures with no expansion of the existing or former uses of those facilities.

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### APPROVAL BY INITIATING UNIT: 736

<u>2/20/2024</u>	<u>Dave Carlson</u> <i>DC</i>	<u>Tony Montano</u> <i>TM</i>
1. DATE PREPARED	2. PREPARED BY (Initial)	3. REVIEWED BY (Unit Supv. Initial)
<u>Tony Montano</u>	<u><i>Yony Montano</i></u>	
4. RECOMMENDED BY (Division/Section Manager)		
<u>Dave Carlson</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>Maintenance Superintendent</u>
5. CONTACT PERSON	MAIL SLOT #	TITLE
		<u>510-287-0921</u>
		PHONE

### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION APPROVED FOR FILING WITH THE COUNTY CLERK

<u>3/20/24</u>	<u>David A. Briggs</u> <i>David A. Briggs</i>
DATE	DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR
<u>4/3/2024</u>	<u>Rischa S. Cole</u> <i>Rischa S. Cole</i>
DATE FORWARDED TO COUNTY CLERK	SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**  
**ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE FUEL ABATEMENT PROJECTS**

**Overview and Background**

The Projects will remove dead and dying vegetation at four distinct water distribution reservoirs on EBMUD-owned land in Alameda County (see Table 1).

**Project Purpose and Objectives**

The East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) water distribution facilities are located in urban and suburban hills in the service area, many of which are surrounded by trees and brush that require consistent pruning, thinning and sometimes removal as they grow. Years of previous drought conditions have resulted in some of vegetation dying or drying out and becoming potent fire fuel. Additionally, local fire departments have increased the recommended height for keeping trees free of limbs from six feet to eight feet from the ground. Staff have been addressing the large backlog of fire fuel reduction projects but must prioritize the reduction of the annual growth of grasses at over 300 facilities.

**Project Locations**

The Projects are located at four sites in the EBMUD Alameda County service area. (see Table 1)

**Project Characteristics**

For each of the four projects described in this NOE, EBMUD will oversee the work of Civicorps staff engaged in the use of chain saws and other tools and equipment to reduce fire fuels, consisting of dead and dying trees and brush, at four distribution reservoirs. EBMUD considered approval of each of these four projects separately, and each individual project described in this NOE may be implemented independently of the other three projects. In addition, none of the projects discussed herein are a reasonably foreseeable consequence of the other projects described in the NOE, and each has independent utility for EBMUD. For that reason, although all four projects are described in this NOE, each represents a unique project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**Permits and Approvals**

All work will be on EBMUD property. Encroachment permits are not required since there is no work within the public right-of-way. Any necessary permits from the regulatory agencies will be obtained, to complete the Projects.

**Schedule and Work Hours**

The work is anticipated to start in 2024 and will take place in the fall and winter of each of the next three years. Each year, the work will take approximately three months to complete. Fire fuel abatement activities will be limited to the daytime weekday hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) to the extent feasible.

### **EBMUD Practices and Procedures**

Standard construction environmental and safety practices applicable to all EBMUD construction projects have been incorporated into the Project. These standard practices minimize impacts to the public resulting from EBMUD construction projects.

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Table 1: Alameda County Fire Fuel Abatement Projects Locations and Map

Table 1  
Fire Fuel Abatement Projects

Facility Name	Site	Street Location	City
Woods Reservoir	1	765 Woodhaven Rd.	Berkeley
Cull Creek Reservoir	2	Cull Canyon Rd.	Castro Valley
Palo Seco Reservoir	3	E/S Skyline Blvd. 3600' N/o Joaquin Miller Rd.	Oakland
Madrone Reservoir	4	300' E/O Balmoral Dr. 400' N/o Skyline Blvd.	Oakland

Map of sites for Alameda County Fire Fuel Abatement Projects

