

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
 P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
 County Clerk
 County of: Calaveras
 891 Mountain Ranch Road
 San Andreas CA 95249

From: (Public Agency): _____
Mokelumne Hill Veterans Memorial District

POB 286, Mokelumne Hill, CA 95245

 (Address)

Project Title: 2024 PG&E Mokelumne Hill Fuels Reduction Project

Project Applicant: Mokelumne Hill Volunteer Firefighters Association

Project Location - Specific:

Portion of Sections 4, 5, 7 & 9, T5N R12E, MDBM

Project Location - City: Mokelumne Hill Project Location - County: Calaveras

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The 2024 Mokelumne Hill Fuels Reduction Project ("Project") is 0.25 miles and 2.5 miles east (respective units of Mokelumne Hill School and Boston Yale) of downtown Mokelumne Hill, Calaveras County, where it will provide the genesis for the Highway 26 Strategic Wildfire Defense System which runs from Mokelumne Hill on the west to Glencoe on the east. This project will treat approximately 40 acres of land (within and around which CEQA investigations have been conducted, with an approximate 300' buffer area) on the rim of the North Fork Mokelumne River Canyon. The project is in the proximity of the 2015 Butte Fire. The understory is choked with brush and logs with dense ladder fuels that extend into a closed canopy of live oak, the recipe for catastrophic wildfire. The project will protect hundreds of

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Mokelumne Hill Veterans Memorial District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Bruce Olmstead Mokelumne Hill Volunteer Firefighters Association

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: Class 4, §15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Minor Alterations to Land

Lead Agency
 Contact Person: Thomas J. Ringlein, Jr. Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 559-824-5798

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/2/2024 Title: CHAIRPERSON MHHVMD

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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____