

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The Santa Cruz County Planning Division has reviewed the project described below and has determined that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15061 - 15332 of CEQA for the reason(s) which have been specified in this document.

Application Number: 231192
Assessor Parcel Number: 080-131-39 and 080-102-20
Project Location: 500 Comstock Lane

Project Description: Reconfigure, relocate and reconstruct 19 cabin structures and one maintenance building destroyed by the CZU fire at an existing, non-conforming organized camp/conference center use.

Person or Agency Proposing Project: Bill Wiseman, Kimley-Horn

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- A. The proposed activity is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.
- B. The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060 (c).
- C. **Ministerial Project** involving only the use of fixed standards or objective measurements without personal judgment.
- D. **Statutory Exemption** other than a Ministerial Project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15260 to 15285).
- E. **Categorical Exemption**

Specify type: 15269(a) - Projects to maintain, repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or facilities damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster in a disaster stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code.

F. Reasons why the project is exempt:

The CZU lightning fire, which began on August 16, 2020, burned throughout a large portion of northern Santa Cruz County, causing widespread environmental and structural damage. The fire burned more than 80,000 acres and destroyed over 1,000 structures, including structures at the subject site. In addition, none of the conditions described in Section 15300.2 apply to this project.



Victoria Miller, Project Planner

Date: June 13, 2024