

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Tehama County RCD
PO Box 1232
Red Bluff, CA. 96080

County Clerk
County of Red Bluff
633 Washington Street, Room 111
Red Bluff, CA. 96080

Project Title: TinderSmart- Manton Mastication Shaded Fuel break

Project Location – Specific: See Attachment A

Project Location – City: See Attachment A (Centroid of proposed project area: 40.413508, -121.868726)

Project Location – County: Tehama

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Tehama County within the past 5 years has been ravaged by 3 of the states largest wildfires. Nearly 50% of the total Tehama County area has burned, and our local Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities are still incredibly susceptible to high severity wildfire. The TinderSmart- Manton Mastication Shaded Fuel break project aims to protect the small WUI community of Manton from high severity wildfire by treating roughly 100 acres south of Hazen Road through the creation of a shaded fuel break. Work conducted will include the removal of non native and invasive species. The removal of shrubs and trees <15DBH (Diameter Breast Height), limbing of remaining trees 8-12ft from ground level, and (budget permitting), follow up herbicidal treatment. .

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County

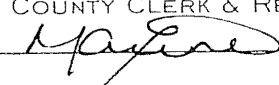
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County

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: **Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14 § 15304**
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

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Reasons why project is exempt:

The program qualifies as a class 4 Categorical Exemption as Project work will consist of minor reductions in landscape within Tehama County project location.

*** CLASS 4: MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND**

Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes. Addition and removal of trees and other plant materials on private property does not require a permit. Removal of dead, seriously damaged, and incurably diseased trees is exempt under this Class. Under certain exceptional circumstances involving hazards to health and safety, removal of healthy trees may be considered an emergency project (i) Fuel management activities ... to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, provided that the activities will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters.

Per the definition of Minor Alterations to Land the Project will focus on dead dying, or diseased trees and reduction of volume of flammable vegetation for Fuel management Activities. The average gradient is <5% and roots will be left intact - having negligible effects in terms of erosion. CNFBB search of area and plant survey will be conducted prior to work to ensure there will not be a result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species. Additionally, an archaeological records check will be conducted to ensure no cultural resources are adversely affected during the project.

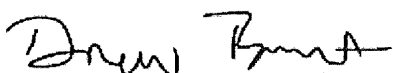
Lead Agency

Contact Person: Drew Barnhart

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530- 727-1280

If filed by applicant:

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

Signature: 

Date: 10/14/2024

Title: Project Manager II

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
52-10152024-057

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY TEHAMA COUNTY RCD	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 10/15/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING TEHAMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 52-10152024-056	

PROJECT TITLE
TINDERSMART-MANTON MASTICATION SHADED FUEL BREAK

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME TEHAMA COUNTY RCD	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (530) 727-1280
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS PO BOX 1232	CITY RED BLUFF	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 96080

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

- Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,051.25 \$ _____
 Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,916.75 \$ _____
 Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,377.25 \$ _____

- Exempt from fee
 Notice of Exemption (attach)
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ _____
 County documentary handling fee \$ \$50.00
 Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash Credit Check Other
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \$50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Maxine Grossman, Deputy County Clerk/Recorder
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