Notice of Exemption   **Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): Sonoma Resource Conservation District

1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F

Santa Rosa, CA 95405

County Clerk
County of: Sonoma
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(Address)

Project Title: Mill Creek Invasive Plant Removal Project

Project Applicant: Sonoma Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

8154 Mill Creek Rd., Healdsburg, CA 95448

Project Location - City: Healdsburg   Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of eradicating 25 acres of invasive weeds (broom) in the Mill
Creek watershed that has erupted over recent fires.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (funder)

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

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: 15304. Minor Alterations to Land
☐   Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project is removing invasive broom that has taken over since the 2020 Walbridge fire
in an attempt to bring back native vegetation and reduce fuel loads. Project is using
hand tools and does not remove healthy, mature or scenic trees.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Aaron Fairbrook   Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-569-1448x106

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: _____ Date: 10/23/2024 Title: Executive Director

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.   Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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