

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Butte County
Department of Public Works
7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965

(Address)

County Clerk
County of: Butte
155 Nelson Avenue
Oroville, CA 95965

Project Title: WAIV System at Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility

Project Applicant: Butte County

Project Location - Specific:
1023 Neal Road

Project Location - City: Paradise Project Location - County: Butte

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project would add a Wind-Aided Intensive evaporation system (WAIV) to the exiting leachate impoundment pond at the Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility (NRRWF). The WAIV consists of multiple vertical "sails" that allow for a large area for evaporation within a limited footprint. Wind passing through the sails causes rapid evaporation. The WAIV will aid in evaporation at the existing impoundment pond.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Butte County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Butte 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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 3, 15303
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project would add small equipment to the existing leachate impoundment pond at the NRRWF. The system includes two evaporation units (80 x 20 feet) and one 2,000-gallon water tank installed on a cement slab. The system will connect to the existing electrical service to pump water from the pond through the WAIV. All improvements will be located within the existing fence line of the NRRWF. The project will not increase the capacity of the NRRWF, but will increase efficiency of the existing facilities. None of the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 apply to the project, as documented in the project record.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Craig Cissell Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-552-5687

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: 12-19-24 Title: Deputy Director Solid Waste

[X] 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.