

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: (Public Agency) Feather River Resource Conservation District
422 North Mill Creek Rd
Quincy, CA 95971

(Address)

County Clerk / County of Plumas

520 Main St

Quincy, CA 95971

Project Title: Lower Grizzly Vegetation Management Project

Project Applicant: Plumas County Fire Safe Council

Project Location – Specific:

T23N, R14E, S21

Project Location - City: Portola

Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project is a hazardous fuels reduction project near the city of Portola, California. The project will utilize hand thinning, piling, and burning to reduce fuel loads on approximately 52 acres of private land. The project would remove trees and ladder fuels up to 1" DBH. Material would be disposed of through piling and burning. The project will follow standard best management practices including protection of watercourses, wildlife habitat, cultural resources, and other natural resource protection. Hardwood species, trees and snags with evidence of nesting or roosting by rare / threatened / endangered species will be retained. Stocking standards shall adhere to the minimum acceptable stocking standards defined in the California Forest Practice Rules, all material shall be burned on site. The project will reduce wildfire risk to surrounding properties through fuels reduction.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Feather River Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Feather River 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; Class 4 Minor Alterations to Land

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is located on privately owned lands and fits under Categorical Exemption: 15304 Minor Alterations to the Land (Class 4), which allows minor alteration of vegetation including fuel management activities to reduce volume of flammable vegetation, provided the activities do not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant/animal species or cause significant erosion and sedimentation in water. Trees targeted for removal and pruning of residual trees will be restricted to those that reduce the vertical and horizontal continuity of fuels, and/or provide for improved ingress/egress in the event of wildfire. The proposed project has been designed to protect resources from potential significant impacts. This project, as designed, is consistent with the use of a Categorical Exemption.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Michael Hall

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 927-5299

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: 3/18/2025

Title: District Manager

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

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Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Reference: Sections 21108, 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Certificate of Posting: I hereby certify that from 3/19/25 to 4/19/25 (30 Days), I posted a copy of this Notice of Exemption in the Office of the Plumas County Clerk

By _____

Date: 3/18/25



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