

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
PO Box 3562, Quincy CA 95971

(Address)

County Clerk / County of Plumas
520 Main Street
Quincy CA 95971

Project Title: Mohawk Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction

Project Applicant: Feather River Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

T21N, R12E, S1, MDBM and T21N, R13E, S5,6, MDBM and T22N, R12E, S3,9,16,17,20,25, MDBM and T22N, R13E, S19,30-32, MDBM

Project Location - City: Graeagle

Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Mohawk Valley Fuels Reduction Project will reduce the risk of loss of life, property, and natural resources to wildfire on private lands within and adjacent to the project area and implement strategic fuel reduction on private property within Graeagle, as identified in the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The project will remove small diameter trees up to 12" DBH, brush, and large surface fuels on approximately 350 acres of mixed conifer forest through mechanical mastication, hand thinning, and broadcast chipping. The project will follow standard best management practices including protection of watercourses, wildlife habitat, cultural resources, and other natural resource protection.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Plumas County Firesafe Council

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:
Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Public Resource Code Section 4799.05(d)(1)

Reasons why project is exempt:

CEQA does not apply to prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects undertaken on private lands to reduce the risk of high severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the NEPA if the primary role of a state or local agency is providing funding or staffing for those projects. The proposed project was reviewed in its entirety under NEPA through review of the project Decision Memos and supporting specialist's reports by the Plumas National Forest, Mt. Hough Ranger District. The Decision Memo for the Mohawk Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project was signed August 5th 2022.

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: [Signature] Date: 2/16/2022 Title: District Manager
SIGNED BY LEAD AGENCY SIGNED BY APPLICANT

I hereby certify that from 02/16/2023 to 03/22/2023 I posted a copy of this Notice of Exemption in the office of the Plumas County Clerk (30 days). By [Signature] (signature) on 02/16/2023 (date).

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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