

Notice of Exemption

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County of Mendocino
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1020
Ukiah, CA 95482

From: (Public Agency) Mendocino County Resource Conservation District

410 Jones St., suite C-3 Ukiah, CA 95482
2018-E0076

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Mendocino County, CA

Project Title: D1813109 Redwood Fire Project, Phase II



Project Location - Specific: The geographic scope of this project includes the Forsythe Creek HSA (HUC 12: 180101100201 and 180101100202), which includes Forsythe Creek and its tributaries, and the West Fork Russian River (West Fork) and its tributaries; all of which lie within the community of Redwood Valley. The West Fork is the eastern component of the Forsythe Creek HSA, encompassing approximately 22,000 acres. The Forsythe Creek watershed encompasses approximately 32,000 acres. Of the area within the Forsythe Creek HSA, approximately 21,000 acres (~38%) burned during the Redwood Fire of October 2017 (CAL FIRE Burn Severity Map, 2017).

Project Location - City: Redwood Valley, CA

Project Location - County: Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Tree planting using native conifers, oaks, and willows as appropriate, would occur on approximately 240 acres of burned hillslopes that suffered moderate to high burn severity in the Redwood Complex Fire. Reforestation efforts will be conducted using hand crews. Project treatments aim to provide accelerated, native vegetative cover within the fire footprint to protect water quality.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mendocino County 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 of Land
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: Project qualifies for Categorical Exemption under Section 15304 as a "Minor alterations in land, water, and vegetation on existing officially designated wildlife management areas or fish production facilities which result in improvement of habitat for fish and wildlife resources or greater fish production." Project does not involve the removal of healthy, live trees.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Patty Madigan Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707.937-3082

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: Megan McChen Date: 11/29/2018 Title: Executive Director
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Signed by Lead Agency
 Signed by Applicant
Date received for filing at OPR:

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