



Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	From: California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95816-7100
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Project Title: Friends of Cow Mountain, Acupuncture Alley/Whitethorn/Coopers Crawl/Trail 14 Trail Maintenance

Project Applicant: Friends of Cow Mountain

Project Location – Specific: South Cow Mountain Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Lake, Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Grant funds will allow Friends of Cow Mountain to maintain approximately 13 miles of trails and reroute a portion of one trail. Trail maintenance activities include cutting back brush intruding on the trails; installing water control features such as rolling dips and water bars using on-site materials for reinforcement such as large rocks and logs; and installing new signs. Maintenance activities are accomplished using hand tools and a Mini excavator with a thumb or brush cutter attachment. The trail re-route will stop OHV trespass and avoid a known cultural resources site. The trail reroute would be approximately 4 feet wide and 7,300 feet in length. Approximately 29,000 square feet or 0.66 acres of chaparral vegetation would be removed to accommodate the trail.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Friends of Cow Mountain

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 (CE). 15301 Existing facilities operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration; and 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Activity not subject to CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE classes listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above.

Lead Agency Contact Person:
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Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

Signed by Applicant

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