



Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Dr, Suite 205
Auburn, CA 95603

County Clerk
County of: Sierra, Plumas
Lassen

(Address)

Project Title: Connected Communities - Trails Master Plan (SNC# 1195-RC)

Project Applicant: Sierra Buttes Trails Stewardship

Project Location - Specific:

Northern Sierra counties of Sierra, Plumas and Lassen, and communities of Loyalton, Sierraville, Sierra City, Downieville, Quincy, Graeagle, City of Portola, Taylorsville, Greenville, Chester, Westwood, and Susanville

Project Location - City: See above Project Location - County: See above

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Develop a regional Connected Communities - Trails Master Plan for a multiple-use trail system with strategic hut/overnight opportunities through mostly public landscapes. Provide a basis for SDAC communities in Plumas, Sierra, and Lassen counties to create a resilient and vibrant outdoor recreation economy. The plan will also identify areas within communities where trails would support local access.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sierra Buttes Trails Stewardship

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: Class 6 Section 15306 Information Collection
Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies

Reasons why project is exempt:

This is a planning project for the preparation of the Sierra Buttes Trails Stewardship Trails Master Plan; it does not involve physical alterations to the environment. Completion of the plan will not have a legally binding effect on future activities.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jamie Sammut Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 823-4688

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: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 12/16/19 Title: Deputy Executive Officer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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

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