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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: Mendocino National Forest Restoration – Leech Lake Road Decommissioning

Project Applicant: U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Mendocino National Forest, Covelo Ranger District

Project Location – Specific: South Yolla-Bolly Mountain Wilderness Area

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Leech Lake Road (15.1 miles) will be decommissioned by stabilizing the existing roadbed and associated fill, removing thirty-one culverts and associated fill, installing waterbars and out-sloping roadbeds and trails as needed, subsoiling and jack-strawing trees for approximately 400 feet at the beginning of the road to discourage motorized traffic and improve recovery of native vegetation, and installing barriers and signs.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mendocino National Forest


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). Section 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 class 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.

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Signature

12/15/19

Date:

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: