

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 201
Auburn, CA 95603

County Clerk
County of:

(Address)

Project Title: Mountain Meadows Conservation Project (SNC 1153-LC)

Project Applicant: The Trust for Public Land

Project Location - Specific:

Home Ranch, a 2,476 ac. property in SW Lassen County, 15 mi. E of Chester, 17 mi. W of Susanville. Surrounded by Lassen National Forest, approx. 15 mi. from Lassen Volcanic National Park.

Project Location - City: 10 mi. from Lake Almanor Project Location - County: Lassen

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project creates and pilots a Climate Responsive Conservation Easement, an associated conservation plan and monitoring. Project will permanently protect working lands as well as a vast upper watershed meadow. The Mountain Meadows meadow complex is the second largest montane meadow in the Sierra. Project success will also contribute to local businesses, enhance tourism, and protect a landscape central to Mountain Maidu origin stories.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: The Trust for Public Land

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 25, Section 15325, Transfers of Ownership
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is a Transfer of Ownership of Interest In Land to Preserve Existing Natural Conditions and Historical Resources. There are multiple purposes to protecting the property, including continued agricultural use, habitat, and open space. There will be no change to the primary land use and no physical alterations to the environment.

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: [Signature] Date: 3/6/2020 Title: Deputy Executive Officer
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: MAR 10 2020

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