

**Notice of Exemption****Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
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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: Mariposa Creek Parkway Acquisition Project (SNC 1182-LC)

Project Applicant: Mariposa County

**Project Location - Specific:**

The subject properties are located along both banks of Mariposa Creek on the SE side of downtown Mariposa, 1/8 mi. from Mariposa County Park. One property straddles Mariposa Creek and continues SW up an east facing slope to the ridgeline. The other property borders 8th Street in downtown Mariposa.

Project Location - City: Mariposa Project Location - County: Mariposa


**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

This fee-title project will allow the County of Mariposa to purchase two contiguous properties and expand (85.5 acres) the Mariposa Creek Parkway. The Mariposa Creek Parkway Expansion is a community resiliency project that will add trails and public access to downtown Mariposa. The project will increase public access and allow the County to manage the area for recreation, fuels, wildlife, and riparian health. This project will preserve the rural character of the town of Mariposa as well as protect and restore a section of Mariposa Creek.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mariposa County

**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 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 public park, including increasing public access and community engagement at a variety of community events, and it also promotes non-motorized transportation routes on the network of trails. 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:  Date: 3/6/2020 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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