

ATTACHMENT 5

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 10th Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, California 95814

FROM: California Tahoe Conservancy  
1061 Third Street  
South Lake Tahoe, California 96150

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**Project Title:** Identifying Adaptive Traits for Climate Resilience in Sugar Pine Trees

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**Project Location – Specific:**

The portion of Placer County in the Lake Tahoe Basin between Tahoe City and Kings Beach (Exhibit A).

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**Project Location – City:**

N/A

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**Project Location – County:**

Placer County

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

This grant will provide the University of California, Davis, Tahoe Environmental Research Center with funding to collect data on native sugar pine seedlings in a greenhouse and on seedlings planted in areas that were heavily impacted by mortality during California's six-year drought.

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**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:**

California Tahoe Conservancy (Conservancy meeting of 3/12/2020) (Agenda Item 6b)

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**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

University of California, Davis, Tahoe Environmental Research Center

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**Exempt Status:**

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 15073)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 15071 (a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 15071 (b) and (c))
- ☒ Categorical Exemption, Class 6, § 15306 "Information Collection"

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**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The project involves data collection activities to evaluate genetic traits of sugar pine seedlings best suited to persist with increased stressors resulting from climate change in the future. The project will have no changes or impacts on the land and will not result in a change in land use or intensity of use.

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## EXHIBIT A

### Identifying Adaptive Traits for Climate Resilience in Sugar Pine Trees

