

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

NAPA COUNTY PLANNING, BUILDING, & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT
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900 Coombs St
Napa, CA 94559

PROJECT TITLE: 2020 Noxious Weeds Grant Program

PROJECT LOCATION - SPECIFIC: Napa County

PROJECT LOCATION - CITY (NEAREST): Napa

PROJECT LOCATION - COUNTY: Napa

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Protect the biodiversity of native ecosystems through abatement of noxious weeds and other invasive plants of concern in Napa County. Develop survey, mapping and non-chemical control/removal program for rush skeletonweed (*Chondrilla juncea*) in Napa/Yountville area, artichoke thistle (*Cynara cardunculus*) in South Napa County, saltcedar (*Tamarix* sp.) and arundo (*Arundo donax*) in Napa County waterways, including Pope Creek. All survey work will be done with drones. The project includes compilation of local noxious weed data, and development and presentation of at least two workshops aimed at educating the public on noxious weeds and other weeds of concern. Data compilation and workshops will be implemented by Napa County Resource Conservation District as contractor.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Napa County Board of Supervisors

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Agricultural Commissioner
ADDRESS: 1710 Soscol Ave., Suite 3, Napa CA 94559

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EXEMPT STATUS (CHECK ONE):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15268(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and CEQA section number: Class 6, Section 15306; Class 8, Section 15308
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project consists of data collection, experimental mechanical management of noxious weeds, and public education, all of which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The project is intended to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement and protection of the environment.

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Pam Arifian, Planner II

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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: 05/07/2020 Title: Planner II

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

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