

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
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Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Conservation Board
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 944209
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County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Judah Grossman

Project Title: Rim Fire Forest Restoration, Phase 2

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: This project takes place on Stanislaus National Forest, centered approximately around Latitude 37.905, Longitude -119.836, in the Upper Tuolumne Watershed.

Project Location - City: Sonora (20 miles away)

Project Location - County: Tuolumne

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to enhance forest health and reduce hazardous fuels through selective thinning and replanting activities on 6,434 acres of mixed conifer forest in Stanislaus National Forest.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: John P. Donnelly, Executive Director, WCB

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type:
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
PRC Section 4700.05(d)

Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to Executive Order B-23-13 a CEQA waiver has been provided relative to the implementation of the Federal Phase 1 Restoration Plan for the Rim Fire, which was analyzed in the Rim Fire Reforestation Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Record of Decision (ROD) prepared by the Stanislaus National Forest and signed on August 17, 2016. The proposed activities are within the scope of Rim Fire Reforestation EIS and ROD. Such activities are exempt from CEQA pursuant to Executive Order (EO) B-23-13. Project activities include only those specifically identified in the EIR ROD.

Lead Agency Contact Person: John P. Donnelly

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 445-0137

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 (by this notice) No

DocuSigned by:
 Signature: John P. Donnelly Date: 5/21/2020 Title: Executive Director
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Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

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