NOTICE OF EXEMPTION	
1400 Tenth Street	california Department of Fire and Forestry 416 9 th Street acramento, CA 95814
Project Title: Soquel Demonstration Forest	
Project Location – Specific: APN 098-321-13	
Project Location – City: Near Soquel	Project Location – County: Santa Cruz
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Acquire 16± acres of Privately owned land located approximately 10 miles south of Los Gatos, and just south of Lake Elsman in the unincorporated area of Santa Cruz County, CA to add to existing Soquel Demonstration Forest.	
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Fire and Forestry	
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Dakota Smith, RESD DGS	
Exempt Status: Ministerial (§21080(b)(1)); (§15268). Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3)); (§15269(a)). Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4)); (§15269(b)(c)). X Categorical Exemption., Class:25 _ Section:15325	
Reason Why Project Is Exempt: The transfer of property will preserve lands for state park/demonstration forest purposes and to maintain its natural condition.	
Contact Person: Dakota Smith Dakota.Smith@dgs.ca.gov Department of General Services, Real Estate Services Project Management and Development Branch, Environment	
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