

Notice of Exemption**Form D**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205
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(Address)

County Clerk

County of _____

Project Title: Texas Hill Vegetation Management Plan (VMP) (SNC #R1831015.2)**Project Location - Specific:**

The project is located in and around the community of Texas Hill in El Dorado County, California at elevations ranging from 2000-2600 feet MSL (Attachment 1). It is approximately 45 miles east of Sacramento via Highway 50. Location data is as follows: Camino and Placerville USGS 7.5-minute Quadrangles, MDBM; Township 10 North, Range 11 East, Sections 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 22.

Project Location – City: Texas HillProject Location – County: El Dorado**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy would provide funding to help implement the Texas Hill VMP. The overall project objectives is to return forests and wildland to a more natural, fire resilient condition and to ensure that the exposure of human assets and communities to wildfire risk has been reduced. The Texas Hill area and surrounding communities have been identified as a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) defense zone where the focus is on protecting life and property. The proposed Project will continue efforts to modify forest conditions to reduce fuel loads and prepare forests for long-term stewardship through practices such as mechanical and hand treatments and prescribed fire.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada ConservancyName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: El Dorado Resource Conservation District**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: Section 15304, Class 4 - Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project involves minor alteration of vegetation, including fuel management activities to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation. No healthy, mature, scenic trees will be removed as part of this project. An environmental review was completed concluding that project implementation as designed could not have a significant effect on the environment. The activities do not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. There will be no impact to historic or cultural resources due to lack of ground disturbance and will be avoided.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Andrea N. Williams Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-823-4682

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

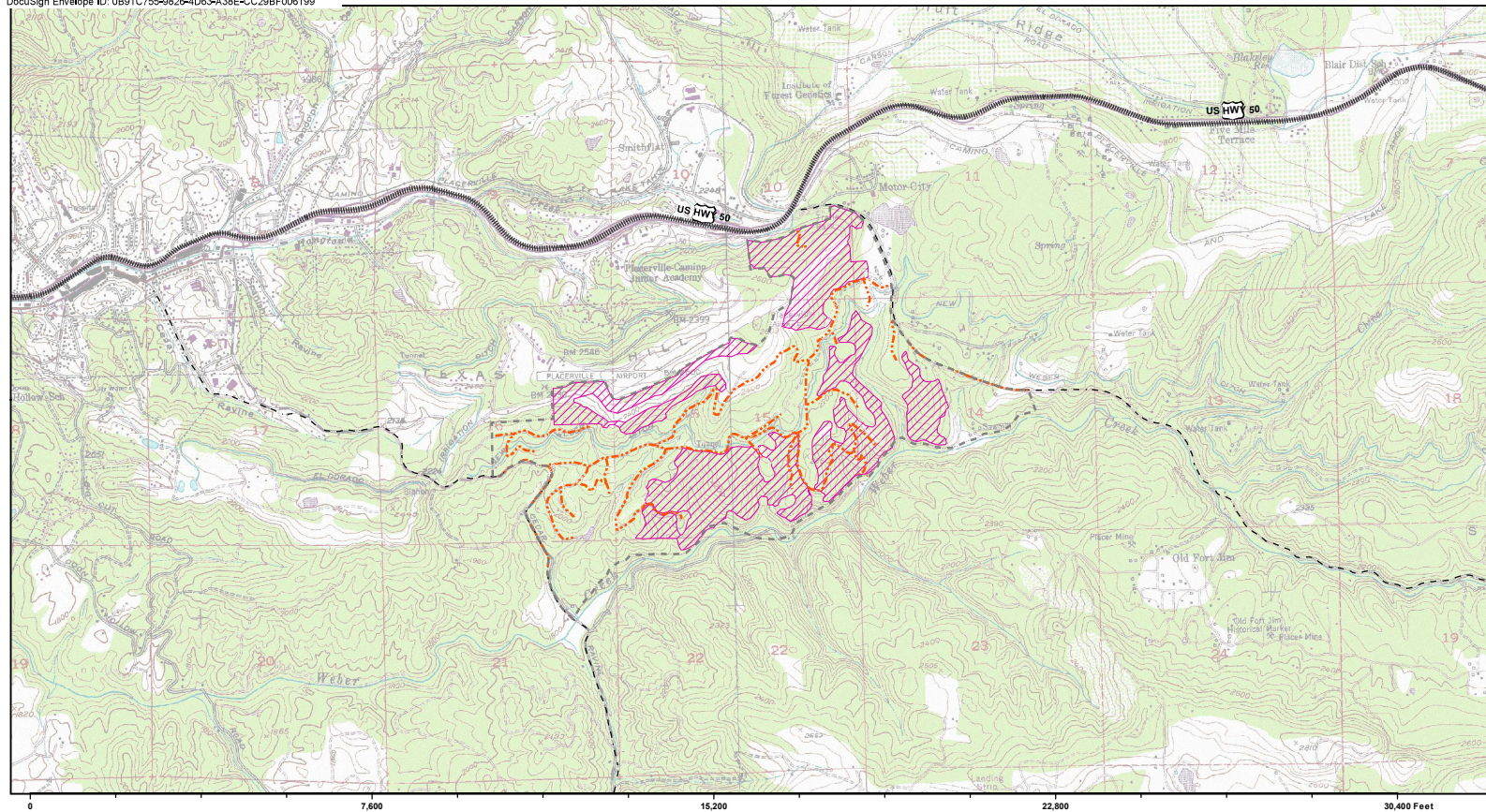
Signature:  Date: 2/19/2021 Title: Deputy Executive Officer

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

☐ Signed by Applicant







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SNC TCSI
Texas Hill Community Wildfire Protection Strategy
Project Treatment Area and Priority Roadway Map

Attachment 1

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|---|------------------------------|---|-----------------|
|  | Project Area Boundary |  | US HWY 50 |
|  | Roads Proposed for Treatment |  | CEDAR RAVINE RD |
|  | RCD_Priority_Units_Internal |  | NEWTOWN RD |

El Dorado County



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