

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Plumas

520 Main St Room 201

Quincy, CA 95971

From: (Public Agency): Sierra Nevada Conservancy
11521 Blocker Drive, Suite 205
Auburn, CA 95603

(Address)

Project Title: AB 2551 Watershed Coordinator Grant – Sacramento-Feather River Subregion

Project Applicant: Feather River Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

There is no specific location. This is a planning project within the Feather River watershed and may plan projects on Plumas National Forest.

Project Location - City: None. Office in Quincy. Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) would provide \$95,000 in funding for watershed coordinator activities per Assembly Bill 2551. Grantee will coordinate the Feather River Stewardship Coalition to define forest priorities, create a project database with map-based workplans, and create a review process for project maintenance and re-treatment. Grantee will communicate with stakeholders on watershed priorities. Grantee will assist the Plumas Underburn Cooperative to reach agreement with Plumas National Forest on prescribed fire treatments and plan for implementing initial treatments.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Nevada Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Feather River 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 15306, Class 6, Information Collection
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262 Feasibility and Planning Studies

Reasons why project is exempt:


This is a planning project involving partner coordination and project identification, prioritization, and planning. It does not involve physical alterations to the environment. Completion of the planning phase will not have a legally binding effect on future activities.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Shannon Ciotti Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 906-7345

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: 4/6/2021 Title: Deputy Executive Officer

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____