NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk Office of Planning & Research County of Lake 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222

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FROM: Community Development Dept

Planning Division, County of Lake

255 North Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

PROJECT TITLE: Clear Lake QZ Prevention Implementation Grant FY 2020-2021

PROJECT LOCATION: Centered on Clear Lake, Lake County, CA but benefits will be regional. GPS location for the center of Clear Lake, CA is 122° 43.115'W 38° 58.941'N.

PROJECT LOCATION: Clear Lake (water body) **COUNTY:** Lake

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The project will continue to improve the current Lake County Invasive Mussel Prevention Plan by funding another 2 years of boat ramp monitors, provide education, and improve local and state law compliance with persons recreating on Clear Lake. The project will also improve mussel prevention outreach and education via digital, radio, and social media outlets. Lastly, the project will continue the transition and maintenance of the digital screening and monitoring of boaters to improve inspection processes. These technologies allow Lake County to connect, in real-time, with other AIS managers using digital systems to track incoming vessels, enhancing our ability to successfully detect a potential mussel introduction more effectively.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: County of Lake

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Lake County Watershed Protection District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption, Section 15307, Class 7 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources)

Categorical Exemption, Section 15308, Class 8 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment)

Categorical Exemption, Section 15322, Class 22 (Educational or Training Programs Involving No Physical Changes)

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Class 7 and Class 8 - The project is consistent with the Class 7 and Class 8 exemptions which allow for the maintenance, restoration or enhancement of a natural resource or of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment. Class 22 – The project is consistent with the Class 22 exemption which allows the adoption, alteration or termination of educational or training programs which involve no physical alteration in the area affected.

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Signed by Lead Agency