Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044. Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

California Energy Commission 1516 9th Street, MS-6 Sacramento, CA 95814

| Project Title:North | h Coast MD/HD ZEV Readiness Blueprint | |
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| Project Applicant: | The Redwood Coast Energy Authority | |
| Project Location - Specific | c: <u>NA</u> | |
| Project Location - City: | NA Project Location - County: Humboldt, Del Norte, and Trinity | <u>/</u> |

From:

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will consist of developing a planning document for possible future deployment of zero emission medium- and heavyduty vehicles and related infrastructure equipment.

Beneficiaries will include residents of California.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____ The Redwood Coast Energy Authority

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: Cal. Code Reg.s, tit. 14, section 15306 ("Information Collection")

Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project will not cause direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment because it is for a paper study and computational analyses, encompassing basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities that do not result in major disturbances to an environmental resource.

Responsible Agency

Contact Person: <u>Natarajan "Raja" Ramesh</u> Area Code/Telephone/Extension: <u>(240) 586-0724</u>

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?

| Signature: | Natara | jan | Ramesh | Date: | 10/5/2021 | Title: | Air Pollution Specialist |
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Signed by Responsible Agency Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: 10/5/2021

Signed by Applicant

□ Yes □ No