## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**



PROJECT TITLE	Success Control Burn		
PROJECT LOCATION	T21S, R28E, Sections 19, 24, 25,26, 35 and 36 MDBM	County	Tulare
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Annual control burn training to prevent wildland fire(s) at Success Lake along the shoreline adjacent to Highway 190 from the East abutment of Schafer Dam all the way to the maintenance compound of the Tule Recreation Area. The burn will target dry grass that exhibits potential danger to surrounding buildings and park visitors. The elimination of fire hazard will benefit visitors, employees, and contractors by enabling safer access to these areas. In addition, it will also help keep structures/buildings safe from possible wildland fires. The goal of this project is to provide a training location for the engines and firefighter hand crews in the Unit. This training will include handline construction, followed by a prescribed fire to reduce the fuels along the shoreline and highway 190.

Exer	MPTION STATUS
	Categorical Exemption
$\bowtie$	Statutory Exemption (state code section):
	Public Resources Code Section 4799.05(d)(1)
	Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
	Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
	Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

## REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

The California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects undertaken on federal lands to reduce the risk of high-severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) if the primary role of a state or local agency is providing funding or staffing for those projects. All Success Control Burn project activities are included in the Project Environmental Evaluation Report (PEER) for Richard L. Schafer Dam, Success Lake signed in 2022. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at 1968 S Lovers In, Visalia CA, 93621.

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