



COUNTY CLERK

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

JAN 30 2023

TO:

County Clerk

Office of Planning & Research

County of Lake

1400 Tenth Street

Lakeport, CA 95453

Sacramento, CA 95814-3044

FROM:

Lake County Community Development Dept.

255 North Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

PROJECT TITLE:

GreenFire Calpine Geysers GreenLoop Minor Use Permit; CEQA

Exemption (MUP 22 08; CE 22-61)

PROJECT LOCATION:

20055 Foard Road, Middletown, CA 95461

COUNTY:

Lake

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The applicant GreenFire Energy, Inc. is proposing installation of a GreenFire Energy Steam Dominated GreenLoop (SDGL) system into an existing geothermal well. Calpine Corporation's Geysers Power Company LLC is the project's host, and will provide a geothermal well at the Geysers Davies State 5206 #1 site on an existing well pad adjacent to their Bear Canyon Power Plant, for use during the proof-of-concept testing. The project duration is expected to be approximately three months. The project is partially funded by a California Energy Commission Grant (CEC) under the CEC's "Bringing Rapid Innovation Development to Green Energy" program. The grant recipient and developer of the "Steam Dominated GreenLoop" technology is GreenFire Energy, Inc.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Lake County Community Development Department

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: GreenFire Energy, Inc.

EXEMPT STATUS (Check One):

	Ministerial [Section 21080(b); 15268];
	Declared Emergency [Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
	Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)];
	Statutory Exemption: State code number:
\boxtimes	Categorical Exemption (Sections 15301(e) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines)
	General Rule [Section 15061(b)(3)]
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Posted: 1/30/23 to 3/6/23

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

As proposed, the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15301 Class 1 Existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or both public utility services.

The County of Lake Community Development Department finds that the GreenFire Energy SDGL proof-of-concept project is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

CONTACT PERSON: Laura Hall

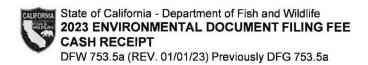
TELEPHONE NUMBER: 707-263-2221

Signature:

Title: Senior Planner

Date: January 30, 2023

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GREENFIRE ENERGY INC			(707) 263	-2221	
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE		
20055 FOARD RD	MIDDLETOWN	CA	95461		
PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)	_	_			
☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐	Other Special District	State	Agency	Private Entity	
CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:					
Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$	3,839.25	\$	0.00	
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)		2,764.00	\$	0.00	
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Exempt from fee					
✓ Notice of Exemption (attach)					
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)					
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)					
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NOTICE

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

Filing	Notice (of Det	erminat	ion	(NOD)	ì

	Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.) Issue cash receipt to project applicant. Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
lf □	the project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW, also: Attach No Effect Determination to NOD (no environmental filing fee is due).
Filii	ng Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333)) Issue cash receipt to project applicant. Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE (no environmental filing fee is due).

Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment.
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month.
- A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

DOCUMENT RETENTION

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

RECEIPT NUMBER

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.

Mail to:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife Accounting Services Branch P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, California 94244-2090