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Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2022080197
Project Title: Paradise Fuels Reduction
Project Applicant: Butte County Fire Safe Council
Project Location (include county): Butte County, vicinity of Town of Paradise

Project Description:
The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is providing funding to Butte County Fire Safe Council to implement forest and watershed restoration activities on up to 52.5 acres of State Responsibility Area (SRA) lands located in the vicinity of the Town of Paradise, Butte County, that establish connections between previously conducted fuels reduction and forest health projects resulting in WUI-wide forest restoration. The Town of Paradise has prepared an Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Paradise Fuels Reduction Project. Treatment activities are consistent with those evaluated in the Paradise Fuels Reduction IS-MND and include manual thinning, manual piling, and pile burning. These treatments are intended to promote forest and watershed health, reduce fuel load, and demonstrate the efficacy of climate beneficial prescriptions.

This is to advise that CAL FIRE (□ Lead Agency or ■ Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on October 22, 2025, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project [□ will ■ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ■ A Mitigated or a Negative Declaration was prepared for his project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigated measures [■ were □ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [■ was □ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [□ was ■ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [■ were □ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval are available to the General Public on the State Clearinghouse website:
https://ceqanet.lci.ca.gov/Project/2022080197

Signature (Public Agency): DocuSigned by: John Melvin 6569EF653A04422... Title: Assistant Deputy Director

Date: 10/22/2025 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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