

# Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency) Feather River Resource Conservation District  
422 North Mill Creek  
Quincy CA, 95971

(Address)

County Clerk / County of Plumas

520 Main Street  
Quincy CA, 95971

Project Title: Heart K Public Access Project

Project Applicant: Feather River Land Trust

**Project Location – Specific:**

MDBM T 26N R 11E S 35, 36 USGS 7.5': Genessee Valley

Project Location - City: Genessee

Project Location - County: Plumas

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The project aims to improve public access to both private property on owned by the Feather River Land Trust and adjoining public lands administered by the US Forest Service. This will be accomplished by developing +/- 3.33 miles of pedestrian trails including +/- 2.20 miles of trails on NFS lands to allow visitors with a variety of skill levels to enjoy Genessee Valley. The project will include improvements to existing trails on FRLT property, 1.1 miles of new trail segments that connect two existing decommissioned roads that will be re-purposed and account for 1.47 miles of the proposed trails.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Feather River Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Plumas County Firesafe Council

**Exempt Status: (check one)**

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15304; Class 4 Minor Alterations to Land

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

Class 4 exemption (CCR Section 15304) covers minor alterations to vegetation such as development of trails and day use facilities. The Feather River Resource Conservation District (FRRCD) has determined that the objective of public access improvements and the implementation activities as designed for this project will result in minor alterations to land and therefore fit within the CCR Section 15304 exemption. Additional environmental analysis was conducted by Environmental Specialists regarding proposed project effects on rare, threatened and endangered plants; threatened, endangered and special status wildlife species; cultural resources, and hydrology/soils. The FRRCD has reviewed these reports and determined that the project's implementation will result in multiple benefits, including improved public access and recreational activities at the Heart K Ranch. There will be no significant adverse impacts on endangered, rare, or threatened species or their habitats. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site. The project will avoid all archaeological resource sites. The project will not result in cumulatively significant impacts. The Project will have no significant adverse effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Michael Hall

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530.927.5299

**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:  Yes  No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/22/2025 Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

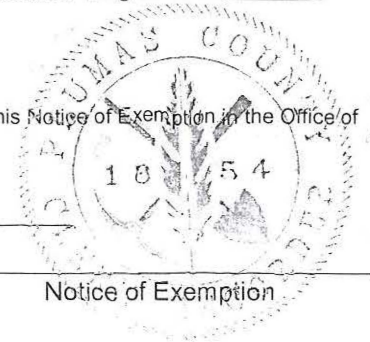
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By: [Signature]  
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Date: 5/22/2025



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