

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): MENDOCINO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

410 Jones St, STE C-3

County Clerk

Ukiah, CA 95482

County of: MENDOCINO

(Address)

501 Low Gap Road

Ukiah, CA 95482

Project Title: North Bay Forest Improvement Program - Chris Bennett

Project Applicant: Jeff Carrender

Project Location - Specific:

APN: 151-230-04, 151-100-04 Section 20 & 21, T16N R13W

Project Location - City: Ukiah Project Location - County: MENDOCINO

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Approximately 13.9 acres to be treated. **Treatment Units 1 – 3 (Conifer Forest Stands)** 1.9 acres total. Objective: Enhance stand health by reducing small tree competition. Remove 90% of Douglas-fir <4" DBH, 80% of Douglas-fir 4-8" DBH, prune all remaining trees to 10ft. Target 125-150 trees/acre. Slash piled and burned. **Treatment Units 4 – 6 (Oak Woodland Stands)** 5.6 acres total. Objective: Enhance live oak woodland by removing Douglas-fir and brush. Remove 100% of Douglas-fir <4" DBH, 90% of Douglas-fir 4-8" DBH, prune fir to 10ft. Target 100-125 trees/acre. Slash piled and burned. **Treatment Unit 7 (Roadside Shaded Fuel Break)** 0.7 acres total. Create a roadside fuel break. Remove all shrubs and Douglas-fir <4" DBH, prune trees to 10ft. Slash piled and burned. **Treatment Unit 8 (Roadside Shaded Fuel Break)** 1.3 acres total. Create a roadside fuel break. Remove all shrubs and Douglas-fir <4" DBH, prune trees to 10ft. Slash piled and burned. **Treatment Units 9 & 10 (Conifer Forest Stands)** Total 4.4 acres. Objective: Increase overall stand resilience to disturbance by reducing forest fuels, enhancing stand vigor, and promoting recovery and persistence of native deciduous oak species. Recommended treatment is to remove 90% of Douglas-fir <4" DBH, 80% of Douglas-fir 4-8" DBH, prune all trees to 10ft. Target 125-150 trees/acre. Slash piled and burned.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: MENDOCINO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Jeff Carrender

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: §15304: Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt because the planned activities meet the definition of "forestry" in PRC§753, and have been reviewed and approved by a Registered Professional Forester in consultation with experts from other pertinent fields who have attested that the activities proposed in this project will only have the potential for impacts that are, at most, less than significant to the environment, having provided adequate measures for avoidance of sensitive environmental resources. Project activities will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees, and will not result in a substantial alteration of the current function of the land. Project specific analysis is on file at the RCD.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Adam Coleman Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 462-3664 Ext. 102

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: Ned Formaker Date: 6/18/2025 Title: Forestry Project Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: _____
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

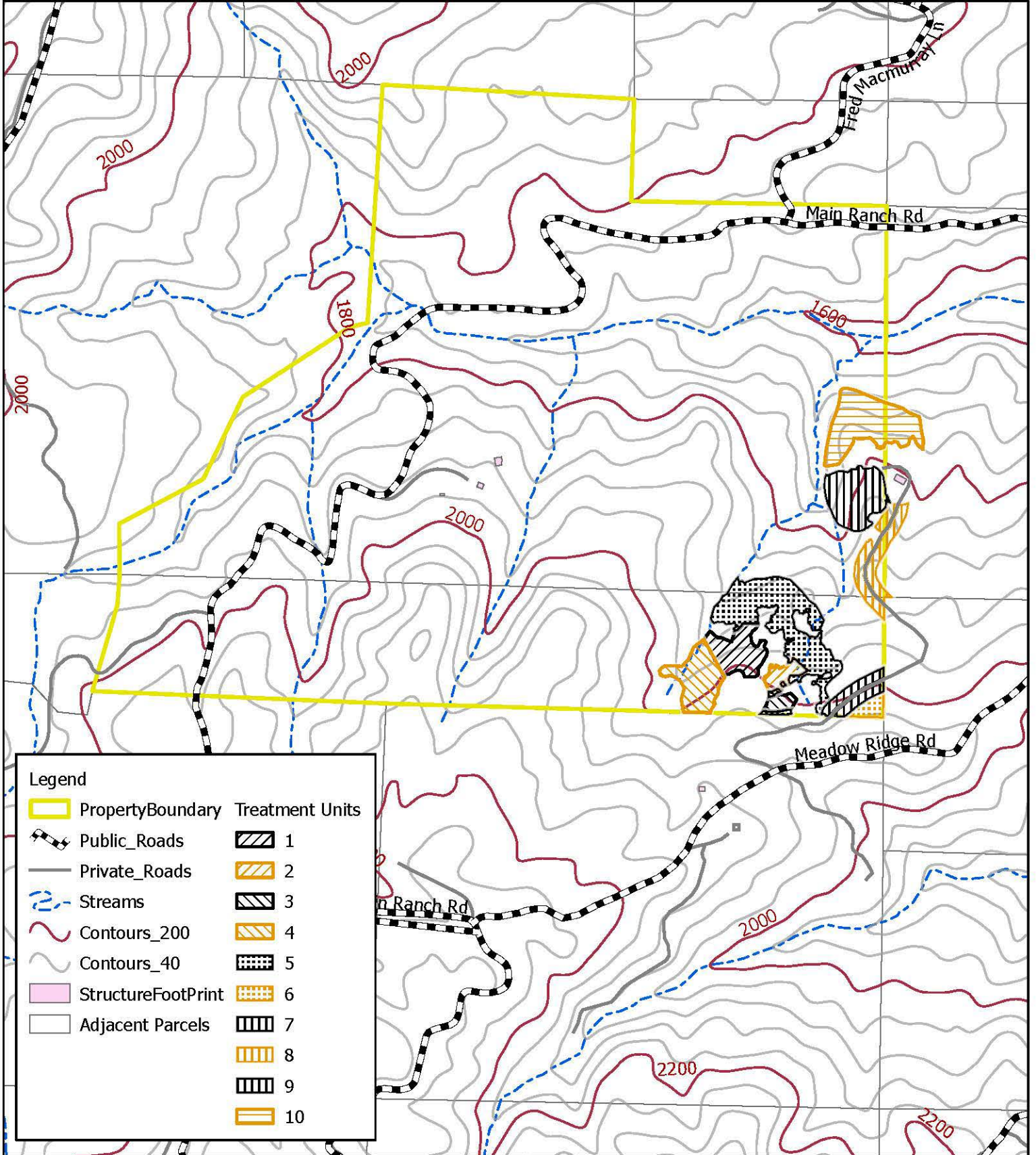
8450 Chickenfoot Road

Client: Jeff Carrender

Property Size: 232 acres

Location: Ukiah

Map: PROPERTY

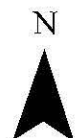


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PropertyBoundary	Treatment Units
Public_Roads	1
Private_Roads	2
Streams	3
Contours_200	4
Contours_40	5
StructureFootPrint	6
Adjacent Parcels	7
	8
	9
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Scale is 1:8,000

1 inch = 667 feet

May 16, 2025