

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

This is to advise that pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), §§ 15070 and 15071, the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle), acting as Lead Agency, has prepared this Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the project described below.

Project Name: CalRecycle Rotelli Burn Dump Remediation Project

Project Location: The Project is located near Mill Villa Court adjacent to SR-49, southwest of the City of Sonora in unincorporated Tuolumne County. The Project Area is defined as the areas that will be disturbed by construction activities or used for construction access. The Project Area is predominately within 2 parcels owned by different entities, Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 056-020-004 (Rotelli), and 056-020-027 (Smith), with a small part of the drainage crossing through the lower corner of APN 059-010-034 (Bureau of Land Management). Construction access would further cross portions of APN 056-020-029 (Hatler) and Caltrans right-of-way on the west side of SR-49.

Lead Agency Name and Address:

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As mandated by Title 14 CCR § 15105(b), the minimum public review period for this document is 30 days. Prior to project approval, CalRecycle will consider all written comments regarding this proposed IS/MND that are received during the public review period; 30 days from the date of filing this document with the State Clearinghouse.

The proposed IS/MND is available for public review during regular business hours at the following locations:

- Tuolumne County Community Development Department, 48 Yaney Ave., 4th Floor, Sonora, CA 95370
- California Environmental Protection Agency, 1001 I Street, Second Floor Library, Sacramento, CA 95814

In addition, the IS/MND is available for public review on a CalRecycle webpage at <https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/PublicNotices/>

Project Description: The Project involves the removal and disposal of surficial waste and the excavation of waste materials (waste, ash, and contaminated soil) from two areas (main Primary area and minor Secondary area) that are either within or adjacent to two ephemeral drainages. The excavated waste will be consolidated in another location within the burn dump footprint and then capped with 2 feet of clean soil from a Borrow area to achieve final cover grades that are less steep than before. The areas within the two ephemeral streams that would be impacted by waste excavation would be remediated and restored.

Statement of Findings: In accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an IS/MND has been prepared for this project. CalRecycle has reviewed the project and, on the basis of the whole record before it, has determined that there is no substantial evidence that the Project, with mitigation measures as identified in the attached Initial Study, will have a significant effect on the environment. CalRecycle prepared and hereby proposes to adopt a Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project.

Public Review: A 30-day public review period for the IS/MND will commence on September 10, 2025 and will end on October 10, 2025 for interested parties and public agencies to submit written comments on the document.

Written comments may be submitted to:

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No public hearing will be held for the proposed project.

Signature of Lead Agency Representative

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