

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: Fresno

2281 Tulare Street

Fresno CA 93721

**From:** (Public Agency): Sierra Resource Conservation District  
P.O. Box 693  
Auberry Ca 93602

(Address)

Project Title: Hume Lake Community Fuels Reduction Project

Project Applicant: Sierra Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

S15, T13S, R28E. S14, T13S, R28E

Project Location - City: Hume

Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project focuses on reducing fuel loads around structures in the Hume Lake Community, with the goal of enhancing and expanding defensible space to protect infrastructure in high-hazard fuel zones, reestablish healthy habitat for local wildlife and contribute to the long-term forest health. Treatments include hazard tree removal, mechanical and hand fuel reduction of dead, dying, hazardous trees, limbing and brushing, pile burning, prescribed burning, cultural burning, invasive species removal, erosion mitigation, riparian improvements, habitat and stream restoration, native plantings, and reforestation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Kelly Kucharski

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
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:


**Section 15304** Which exempts minor alterations in the condition of the land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Kelly Kucharski Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559)-855-5840

**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:  Date: 09/22/2025 Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency      Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_