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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: Sutter
1160 Civic Center Blvd., Suite A
Yuba City, CA 95993

From: (Public Agency): County of Sutter
Development Services Department
1130 Civic Center Blvd., Suite A, Yuba City, CA 95993
(Address)

Project Title: Project #U25-0028 (Sutter County)

Project Applicant: Sutter County

Project Location - Specific:
Countywide, Unincorporated Sutter County

Project Location - City: None Project Location - County: Unincorporated Sutter County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
An amendment to Chapter 412 of the County Ordinance Code (Industrial Hemp Cultivation and Processing) in order to prohibit the cultivation of industrial hemp in the unincorporated area of Sutter County.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sutter County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sutter County Development Services Department

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: Section 15601(b)(3) [Common Sense Exemption]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The ordinance to prohibit the cultivation of industrial hemp in all zones is covered by the commonsense exemption. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the ban on the cultivation of industrial hemp will have a significant effect on the environment. The ordinance will prohibit cultivation, reducing the environmental impacts of industrial hemp cultivation. The County has no evidence that the ban will result in the cultivation of crops that have a greater environmental impact than industrial hemp farming, or that it will displace the impacts of industrial hemp farming to areas outside the County where it is allowed.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Casey Murray Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-822-7400 x 245

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: 12/18/25 Title: Director of Development Services

▪ 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: _____