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Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

To:	**From:**
Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division P.O. Box 942896, Sacramento, CA 94296

Project Title: USFS Mendocino National Forest Ground Operations

Project Applicant: United States Forest Service (USFS) Mendocino National Forest

Project Location – Specific: Upper Lake and Grindstone Ranger Districts within Mendocino National Forest

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Colusa, Glenn, Lake

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The Project includes maintenance of 95 miles of motorized trail and level two roads; erosion control activities; trash removal; dust and weed abatement; hazardous tree removal; facility maintenance; installation and replacement of signs, fencing, and barriers; monitoring; public outreach; and equipment purchase. No expansion of existing maintenance activities or facility operations is proposed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: USFS Mendocino National Forest

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 (CE). 15301 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

For CEQA compliance inquiries, please contact the Lead Agency contact person below.

Lead Agency Contact Person:
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Scott Soares
Signature

12/29/2025
Date:

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

□ Signed by Applicant