

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Modoc

108 E. Modoc Street

Alturas, CA 96101

From: (Public Agency): Modoc County Planning

203 W. 4th Street

Alturas, CA 96101

(Address)

Project Title: EX2026-01 UC Watershed Health Monitoring

Project Applicant: Modoc County Planning

Project Location - Specific:

Big Valley Groundwater Basin which straddles the border of Modoc and Lassen Counti

Project Location - City: Lookout, Adin, Bieber Project Location - County: Modoc & Lassen

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

University of California Cooperative Extension Modoc County will install temporary weather sensors, water flow meters, and groundwater transducers throughout the Big Valley Groundwater Basin. Locations will be based on voluntary participation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Modoc County Board of Supervisors

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California Cooperative Extension Modoc County

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: 15306 - Information Collection
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

University of California Cooperative Extension Modoc County will install temporary weather sensors, water flow meters, and groundwater transducers for information gathering purposes' The data gathered will be used in the Big Valley Groundwater Sustainability plan.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jackie Froeming Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 233-6406

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: Jackie Froeming Date: 01/13/2026 Title: Senior Planner

☒ 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: _____