

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Placer County Water Agency
P.O. Box 6570
Auburn, CA 95603
(Public Agency and Address)

County Clerk, County of: Placer

Project Title: Lake Arthur Vegetation Management project

Project Location - Specific: The site is located north and south of 15400 Lake Arthur Road.

Project Location - City: Unincorporated of Auburn **Project Location - County:** Placer

Description of Project: The Agency owns several parcels surrounding and adjacent to Lake Arthur in the Clipper Gap area. The parcels have been identified as a site that needs vegetation management in order to reduce the risk of wildfire. Activities related to the management of vegetation are for the purposes of fuel reduction, these include prescribed herbivory and herbicide use, mastication and prescribed burning, vegetation thinning, hazard tree removal, site preparation that involves disturbance of soil, or cutting or removal of trees and vegetation, including access, skid trails, or beds for the falling of trees. These vegetation management activities do not include work within riparian or aquatic sites. Access for the Project would occur within existing public roadways and right of ways. Maintenance with similar activities will occur on an annual or seasonal basis using similar/same treatments.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Placer County Water Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Placer County Water Agency

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: Class 4, Section 15304 (i)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The project consists of fuel management activities to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, the activities will not result in a significant environmental impact. (Guidelines Article 19, Section 15304)

Lead Agency _____ **Area Code/**
Contact Person: Jeremy Shepard, Director of Technical Services **Telephone/Extension:** 530-823-4886

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: 2/2/26 Title: Environmental Scientist
Heather Trejo

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: _____