

**Notice of Exemption**

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
  
County Clerk  
County of: Nevada  
950 Maidu Ave  
Nevada City, CA 95959

**From: (Public Agency):** Nevada County Office of Emergency Services  
950 Maidu Ave  
Nevada City, CA 95959  
  
(Address)

Project Title: Lake of the Pines Critical Evacuation Micro Grant Project

Project Applicant: Nevada County Office of Emergency Services. 950 Maidu Ave Nevada City, CA 95959

Project Location - Specific:  
Lake of the Pines Subdivision, Auburn, CA. 95602. Township 14N, Range 08E, Portior

Project Location - City: Unincorporated Nevada County, Project Location - County: Nevada

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

Located in Southern Nevada County and in a High Fire Severity Zone, The Lake of the Pines (LOP) Critical Evacuation Microgrant Project is intended to provide hazardous vegetation removal that improves LOP main ingress and egress routes throughout the community. Lake of the Pines is one of Nevada County's largest subdivisions containing approximately 2,000 homes and over 4,000 full-time residents. This project will directly address evacuation concerns identified in the 2024 Evacuation Study and 2025 Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Fuels reduction activities will consist of hand treatments to remove ladder fuels and increase residual canopy spacing between trees.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Nevada County Office of Emergency Services

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Nevada County Office of Emergency Services

**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: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: PRC 21080.49(b)

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

This wildfire risk reduction project is determined to be statutorily exempt from CEQA under PRC 21080.49(b) because it consists of hazardous vegetation fire clearance of up to 100 feet from the centerline of roadways and will remove flammable vegetation and trees less than 12 inches in diameter

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Alex Geritz Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-470-2517

**If filed by applicant:**

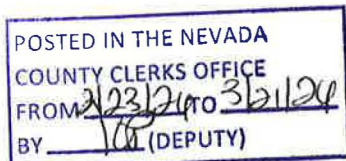
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: *Alex Geritz* Date: 2/23/26 Title: Director, Office of Emergency Services

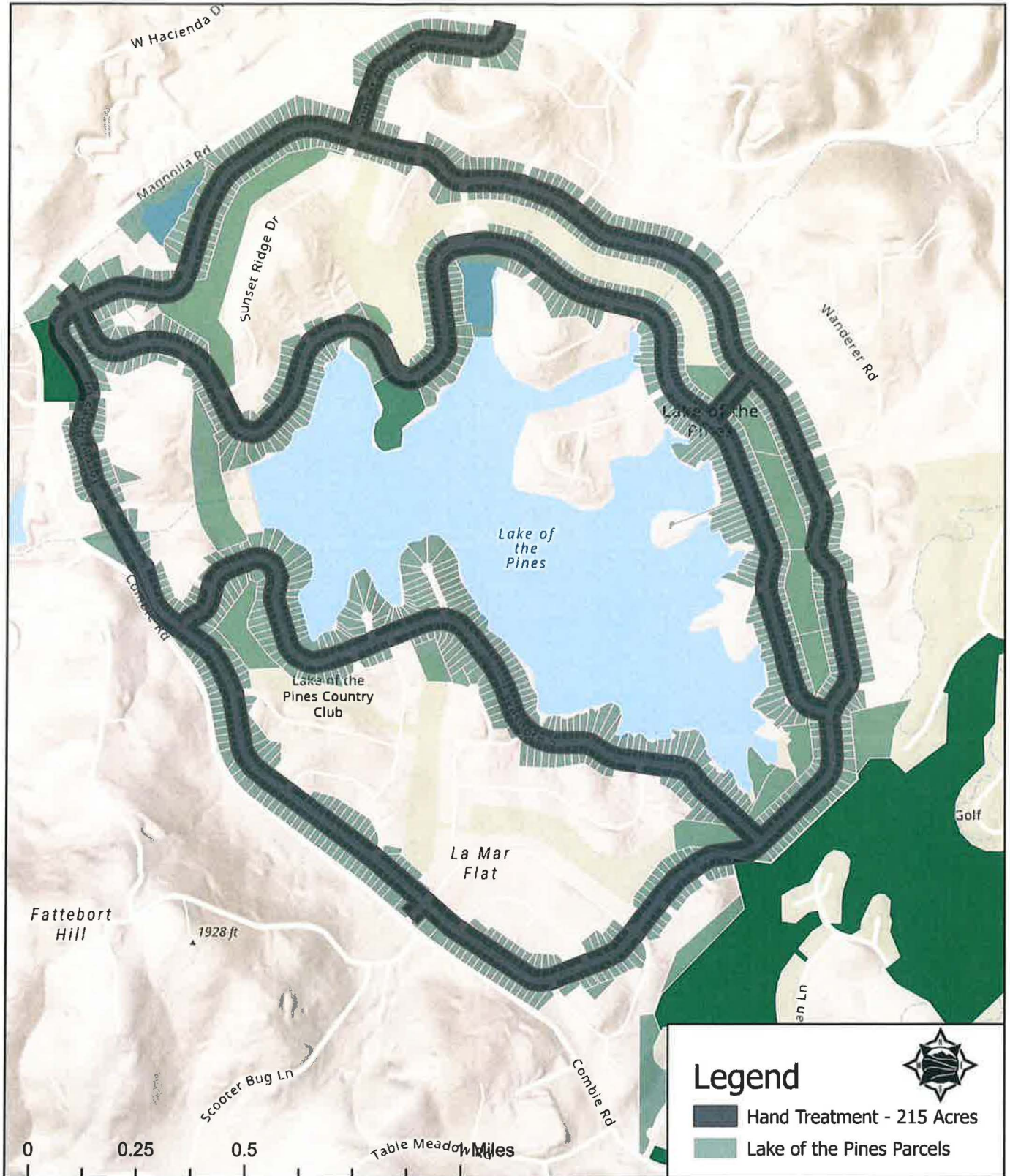
Signed by Lead Agency      Signed by Applicant

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: \_\_\_\_\_



# Lake of the Pines Community Microgrant Project



**Office of Emergency Services**

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State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 29 — 02/23/2026 — 013  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY NEVADA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 02/23/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Nevada	DOCUMENT NUMBER 20260000013	

PROJECT TITLE

**LAKE OF THE PINES CRITICAL EVACUATION MICRO GRANT PROJECT**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME NEVADA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (530) 470-2517
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 950 MAIDU AVE	CITY NEVADA CITY	STATE CAQ
		ZIP CODE 95959

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

- Local Public Agency   
  School District   
  Other Special District   
  State Agency   
  Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- |                                                                                                             |            |    |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)                                                  | \$4,227.50 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)                                           | \$3,043.75 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW         | \$1,437.25 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <br>                                                                                                        |            |    |       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee                                                         |            |    |       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)                                            |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)                                              |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)                   |            |    |       |
| <hr/>                                                                                                       |            |    |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00   | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee                                         |            | \$ | 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                                                              |            | \$ |       |

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE <i>X. Krista F Pyzer Deputy</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE KRISTA F PYZER Deputy
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Nevada County Clerk-Recorder

Transaction #: 531486

Receipt #: 346286



Scan the QR Code to search our services or go to www.mynevadacounty.com/nc/recorder

ARMANDO SALUD-AMBRIZ
950 Maidu Avenue Suite 210
Nevada City, CA 95959
530-265-1221
NC.RECORDER@CO.NEVADA.CA.US

Cashier Date: 02/23/2026 08:56:54 AM (KP)

Print Date: 02/23/2026 08:56:56 AM

(CON) COUNTY OF NEVADA
950 MAIDU AVE
NEVADA CITY, CA 95959

Escrow Balance: \$0.00

Payment Summary

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows: Total Fees: \$50.00, Total Payments: \$50.00, Balance Due: \$0.00

Main payment summary table with 3 sections: 1 Payments (Debit\Credit \$50.00), 1 Miscellaneous Items (CEQA Filing Letter), 1 Filing Items (Notice of Exemption, Fish & Game Admin Fees \$50.00)

02/23/2026 08:56 AM PST
NEVADA COUNTY CLERK RECORDER
950 MAIDU AVE
SUITE 210
NEVADA CITY, CA 95959
TERMINAL NAME: E6717102
ORDER# 216210809

PAYMENT

OFFICIAL RECORDS \$50.00
531486
AGENCY SUBTOTAL: \$50.00
LEXISNEXIS SERVICE FEE: \$2.00
TOTAL USD: \$52.00

CARD #: 0741 MASTERCARD
PAYMENT: (CREDIT)HP READ-CONTACTLESS
MODE:
AUTH CODE: 030264 ISSUER
APP LABEL: Mastercard
CVM: NO SIG REQUIRED
ATD: A0000000041010
AROC: C9B122CCA34CC669
AMOUNT: \$52.00
\*\*\* CARD APPROVED \*\*\*

AMOUNT PAID:
\$52.00

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