

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Cohasset Area Reforestation and Oak Restoration Program

Lead Agency: Butte County Resource Conservation District

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Project Location: Cohasset (unincorporated; zip = 95973)

Butte

City

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Various partners, notably the Butte County Fire Safe Council, propose to restore burned mixed conifer-hardwood forest stands after the 2024 Park Fire in a 6,372-acre area around Cohasset, California. Activities would only be conducted with landowner permission. The program would consist of:

- 1) Planting seeds and seedlings (with or without site preparation which may include herbicide applied in accordance with a recommendation from a California-licensed Pest Control Advisor) of California native trees, adapted to the local climate as modelled over the coming 50 years;
- 2) Leader-training existing hardwood resprouts, to encourage faster development of woodland structure; and
- 3) Processing of pruned material by either chipping & broadcasting on site, hauling off-site, lopping & scattering, piling and burning, or piling for wildlife without burning.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

No significant effects; this is a negative declaration.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No areas of significant controversy raised to date

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Since the project centers on vegetation management and incorporates various wildlife avoidance measures, we would find it helpful if CDFW Region 2 reviewed the project design and analysis to check our logic.