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TOTAL AMOUNT: $50.00

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Product	Name	Extended
FISH	FISH AND WILDLIFE FILING	$50.00
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Document #		67-11132026-111
Document Info.		YOLOCOUNTYRESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Filing Type		NOE
State Fee Prev Charged		false
No Charge Clerk Fee		false
Total		$50.00
Tender(Converge)		$50.00
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Thank you

11/13/26, 8:58 AM PST klopez
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COUNTY RECORDER
Filing Requested by:
Yolo County Resource Conservation District
Name
221 West Court Street Suite 1
Address
Woodland, CA 95695
City, State, Zip

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By klopez, Deputy

Notice of Exemption

To:

Yolo County Clerk-Recorder
625 Court Street, Room B-01
Woodland, CA 95695
meyer@yolorcd.org

Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From:

Yolo County Resource Conservation District
221 West Court Street, Suite 1
Woodland, CA 95695

Project Title: Amended: Front Country Fire Break – Northernmost 1.5 Mile (SCH: 2026060332; Yolo County Clerk's: 57-05192026-048)

Project Location – Specific: Parcels: 060270018, 060270019, 060260007, 018290010, 060270014, 060230010, 060230011, 060230012

Project Location – Rumsey, CA

Project Location – County: Yolo

Description of nature and purpose of the Project:

The Front Country Fuel Break starts in Rumsey, CA and follows the base of the Inner Coast Range extending the north-south length of Yolo County and ending near west Winters, CA. Historically, the fuel break was implemented during wildfire events, most recently the LNU Complex (2020) and the County Fire (2018) to stop or slow wildfire approaching from the north and east, protecting oak woodlands and homes from being destroyed. It serves as an access point for firefighters and a break in fuels to slow the spread of fire that would impact western Yolo County.

Yearly maintenance of the Front Country Fuel Break was included as a project in the Yolo County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). To start the first section 1.5 miles of the fuel break, Yolo County Resource Conservation District (RCD) worked with willing landowners and partnered with Capay Valley Fire Protection District and CAL FIRE to map the project, conduct biological and botanical surveys, and contract with CAL FIRE crews or a qualified licensed dozer operator to blade and masticate (where needed) the first 1.5 miles of the fuel break. The fuel break will be used for emergency access and/or burning-out operations to stop the spread of fires at the base of the foothills to prevent fire from crossing west into adjoining counties, or east into the Capay Valley. A previous NOE was submitted for this project, but did not include additional properties and practices, which are outlined below.

Implementation of the fuel break includes 20-25 feet of dozer blading to remove 100% of vegetation to bare soil/pavement. Other methods to reduce vegetation, such as mowing or herbicide application, may also be used. A masticator will be used to manage dead and downed material from the 2018 and

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2020 wildfires and to limb and thin trees to allow clearance for fire engine and vehicle access.

Eucalyptus trees within the fuel break will be mechanically thinned (mastication, chainsaw) to reduce hazardous biomass. Live non-native trees under 12" DBH will be cut down and the stumps will be treated with an appropriate herbicide to prevent regrowth. To manage fuels, dead and downed debris may be piled and burned in accordance with burn permits or disposed of in other appropriate ways, including mastication or chipping.

Yolo County RCD conducted a desktop review of the first 1.5-mile footprint using the California Native Diversity Database, iNaturalist, and Calflora to identify potential biological and botanical resources. A California Dept of Fish and Wildlife-certified biologist surveyed the 1.5-mile section of the fuel break in spring 2026 and found two resources of concern; the project area largely consists of invasive grasses and other non-native species. A blue elderberry along a fence line will be protected with a 50-foot no-disturbance buffer. An intermittent stream intersects with the fuel break footprint, and heavy equipment will be rerouted to avoid it using a 50-foot no disturbance buffer (see attached map for stream avoidance route).

The planned extent of the entire fuel break footprint was submitted as a Native American Heritage Commission Records request, and consultation on the 1.5-mile footprint has occurred with Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation's Natural Resources and Cultural Departments.

If work commences during nesting season, a qualified biologist will survey the entire 1.5-mile project area for nesting birds or other protected species no more than three (3) days prior to work and results will inform any necessary adjustments to project implementation plans. After nesting season, surveys will occur no more than a week before work starts.

This project protects habitat and communities in the Capay Valley and eastern Inner Coast Range through appropriate conservation-focused fuels reduction activities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Yolo County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CAL FIRE

Exempt Status:

☐Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

☐Statutory Exemptions. State code number

☐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, Minor Alterations to Land CEQA Guidelines § 15304

☐Statutory Exemptions. State code number_____

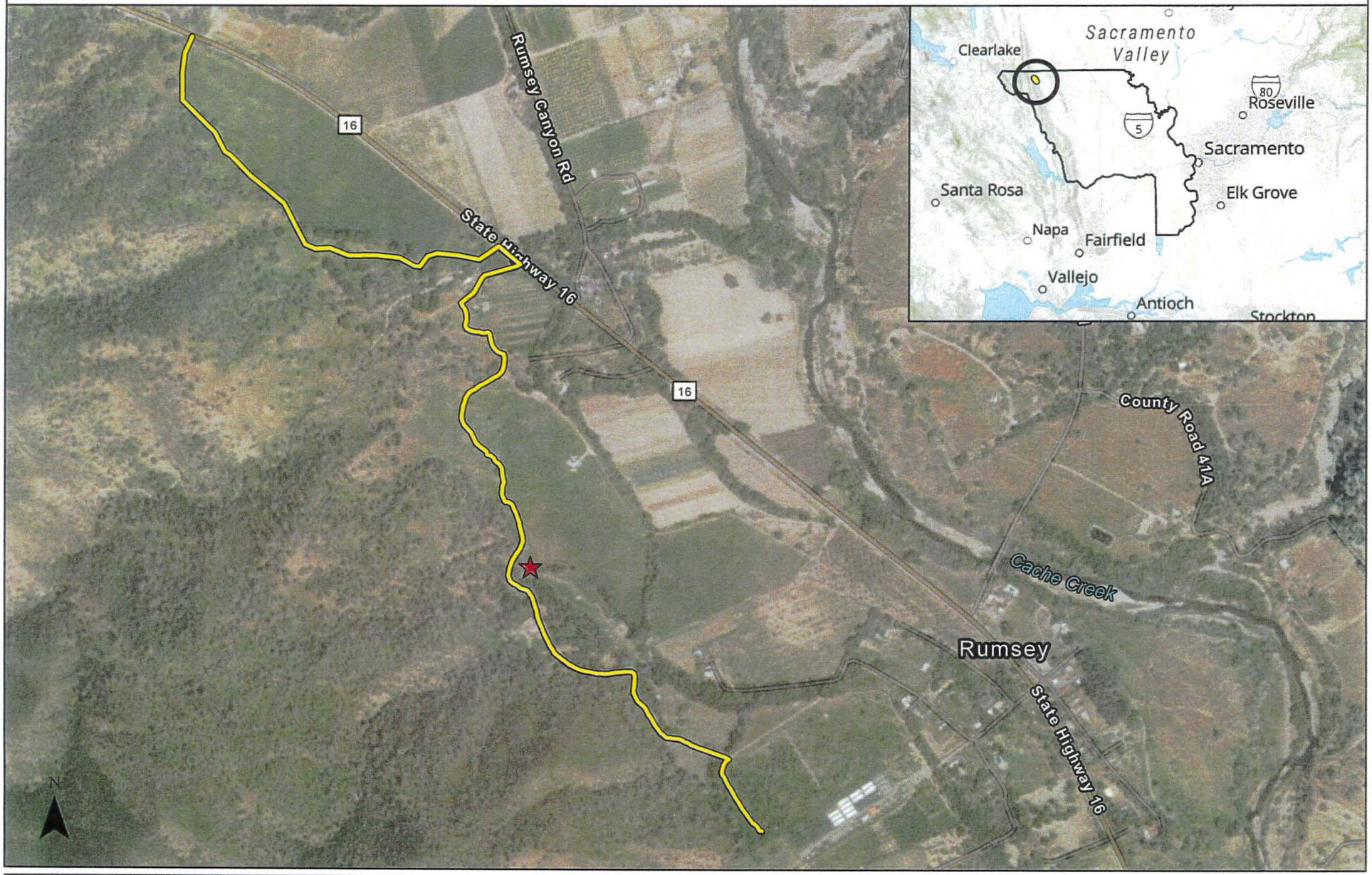
Reasons why project is exempt:

The project meets the requirements of Class 4 Categorical Exemption (minor alterations to land) Section 15304. Project implementation will result in alterations to the land that are best described as minor in scope, that will not significantly impact the aesthetic of the property, or biological and/or cultural resources, and that do not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees for any purpose. No exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a "Notice of Exemption" for this project. It has been concluded that no significant adverse environmental impacts would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, noise, populations and housing, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, utilities and service systems, or wildlife.

Signature (Lead Agency): _____ **Date:** 11/12/26

Name/Title: Heather Nichols, Executive Director **Phone:** (530) 661-1688 ext. 3

Front Country Fuel Break - North



Fuel break (1.52 miles)

Protected elderberry (req. 50-ft buffer)

0 0.13 0.25 0.5 Miles

YOLO COUNTY RCD

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: 57-11132026-111

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER *(If applicable)*

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
YOLO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION	MEYER@YOLORCD.ORG	11/13/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
YOLO	

PROJECT TITLE

AMENDED: FRONTCOUNTRY FIRE BREAK- NORTHERNMOST 1.5 MILE

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
HEATHER NICHOLS	MEYER@YOLORCD.ORG	(530) 661-1688

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
221 WEST COURT STREET SUITE 1	WOODLAND	CA	95695

PROJECT APPLICANT *(Check appropriate box)*

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,227.50	$
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	$3,043.75	$
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,437.25	$

☒ Exempt from fee

- ☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)
- ☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$
☒ County documentary handling fee		$ $50.00
☐ Other		$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other **TOTAL RECEIVED** $ $50.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X K Lopez	Karla Lopez, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder