

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Department of Transportation
111 Grand Avenue
Oakland, California 94612

Project Title: Vegetation Management Along State Route 29

Project Applicant: Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: Between post miles 33.5 to 34.0

Project Location - City: Larkmead/Calistoga Project Location - County: Napa

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 4 proposes to allow Napa Firewise to perform vegetation removal activities on the southbound side of State Route 29 in Napa County between post miles 33.5-34. This work will be in partnership with Napa Firewise that will conduct vegetation management work for the Tucker Acres community and along the adjacent Caltrans' right-of-way (ROW).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Napa Firewise

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: 1(c); 4(i)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 4. (i) Fuel management activities within 30 feet of structures to reduce the volume of flammable vegetation, provided that the activities will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. This exemption shall apply to fuel management activities within 100 feet of a structure if the public agency having fire protection responsibility.

Class 1. Existing facilities/Structures. (c). Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Craig Jung

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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: 06/18/2026 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist/Planner

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 06/18/2026

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.