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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Title: Letter of Non-Objection to Adjust Operating Period for Shasta Springs Fuel Reduction Project

Location: State-owned School Lands Parcel 125-004 in Section 8, Township 33 North, Range 9 West, APN 024-070-40-00, Trinity County

Description: Request to adjust the Northern Spotted Owl (NSO) Limited Operating Period in order to operate within 0.25 miles of suitable NSO habitat on the Shasta Springs Fuel Reductions Project while prohibiting operations around recorded or discovered NSO Activity Centers between March 15 and August 31.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Trinity County Resource Conservation District

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption

- CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304)

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a letter of non-objection to adjust the NSO Limited Operating Period on the Shasta Springs Fuel Reduction Project will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption applies.

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