

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, #103F

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

From: (Public Agency): _____
Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District
2776 Sullivan Rd, Sebastopol, CA 95472

(Address)

Project Title: Sonoma-Marin Agriculture Support Program – Climate Smart Practices – Ranch 03

Project Applicant: Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

Ranch near Valley Ford, CA.

Project Location - City: Valley Ford Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of the following practices: soil carbon amendment (purchased compost), range planting, and replacement of an existing cross fence. The project area is within an agricultural field with regular disturbance associated with production of the crop. The Proposed Action is limited to active agricultural lands.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District

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: 15304 - Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: William Hart Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707.823.5244x15

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: William J Hart Date: 23 Sept 2026 Title: Project Manager

☒ 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: _____