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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: Fresno
2220 Tulare Street
Fresno, CA 93721

From: (Public Agency): Sierra Resource Conservation District
P.O. Box 693
Auberry, CA 93602

Project Title: Sycamore Creek Fuels Reduction Project

Project Applicant: Sierra Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

Portions of Section 14, T10S, R24E, MD B&M, Fresno County, CA

Project Location - City: Shaver Lake Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project activities include using excavators, skid steers, and other tracked equipment to pile brush, logs, and other surface fuels for burning, and falling dead trees. The purpose of the project is to reduce the volume of fuels within the project area for the safety of residents, as well as establish a fuel break for use during wildfire suppression.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sierra Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sierra 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
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project will not impact known archaeological sites, threatened or endangered species, or result in significant erosion or sedimentation. A biological report was prepared to assess impacts to sensitive species. Project activities will be timed to occur after the flowering season for sensitive annual plant species, or the project will be surveyed for avoidance of those species. An archaeological report was prepared by a professional archaeologist.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Kelly Kucharski Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 559-855-5840

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: Kelly Kucharski Date: 09/30/2026 Title: District 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: _____