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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: Nevada
950 Maidu Ave
Nevada City, CA 95959

From: (Public Agency): Truckee Fire Protection District
P.O. Box 2768
Truckee CA 96161
(Address)

Project Title: Prosser Dam Road Fire Mitigation Project

Project Applicant: Truckee Fire Protection District

Project Location - Specific:

T18N R16E Section 36 - MDBM

Project Location - City: Truckee Project Location - County: Nevada

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

High-priority Community Wildfire Protection Plan Project (CWPP) funded by "Measure T". The project includes implementation of forest fuels reduction activities in the form of manual thinning, and tracked chipping on an approximately 20-acre footprint. The project is an integral component of TFPD's landscape-scale fuel reduction strategy to protect the Truckee community and Wildland-Urban Interface from future catastrophic wildfire events. The treatment is strategically located to moderate wildfire spread, improve egress opportunities for evacuating residents, facilitate ingress for emergency response and suppression resources, and reduce wildfire-related risks to life and property in surrounding communities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Truckee Fire Protection District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Truckee Fire Protection 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: _____
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: PRC §21080.49, subd. (a)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Prosser Dam Road Fire Mitigation Project qualifies for a statutory exemption under Public Resources Code section 21080.49, subdivision (a). The project is a small-scale fuel reduction project encompassing approximately 20 contiguous acres, which does not exceed the 50-acre statutory limit. The project area is located within one-half mile of a subdivision containing 30 or more dwelling units. The project is designed to reduce wildfire risk to nearby residences and the surrounding community by reducing hazardous fuel continuity through selective thinning of brush and small-diameter trees. The project is not located on coastal sage scrub habitat or any other sensitive habitat. The District has conducted mandatory consultation with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to ensure the project design minimizes and avoids impacts to candidate, rare, threatened, or endangered plants and wildlife, and wildlife nursery sites. The project is designed to avoid impacts to riparian areas and water quality, utilizing hand-based treatment methods, restricting equipment access, and avoiding intentional ground disturbance. To protect cultural resources, the District also conducted proactive outreach and consultation with the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California, incorporating rigorous resource avoidance measures into the project design. The project complies with all applicable state and local laws, zoning regulations, and ordinances. Based on the project's scope, location, and prescribed treatment methods, the District has determined that the project qualifies for this statutory exemption.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dillon Sheedy Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-536-8020

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: 10/27/26 Title: Forester

▪ 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: _____

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