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Notice of Exemption 2026-174

Appendix E

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

County Clerk
County of: Napa
1127 1st St suite A
Napa, CA 94559

From: (Public Agency): Napa County Resource Conservation District
1303 Jefferson st, Suite 500B
Napa, CA 94559
(Address)

Project Title: Westwood Hills Park French Broom Removal

Project Applicant: Napa County Resource Conservation District 1303 Jefferson St. Suite 500B Napa, CA 94559

Project Location - Specific:
3107 Browns Valley Rd., Napa, CA 94558 (APNs 050-270-012, 050-270-014)

Project Location - City: Napa Project Location - County: Napa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
Hand removal of invasive French broom across approximately 41 acres of oak woodland in the City of Napa's Westwood Hills Park, by cutting, pile burning, and targeted herbicide treatment of resprouts, to reduce wildfire fuels and restore native oak woodland habitat. Beneficiaries: park visitors, neighboring residents, and the City of Napa. See Attachment A for the full project description, schedule, and resource protection measures.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Napa County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Napa County Resource Conservation District 1303 Jefferson St. Suite 500B Napa, CA 94559

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: Class 4, Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project is a minor alteration to land and vegetation that removes invasive broom without removing healthy, mature, or scenic trees or changing the park's use. None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply. See Attachment A for the full analysis.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Aaron Fairbrook Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707)910-9566

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: 11/19/2026 Title: Executive Director

▪ 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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