

## Notice of Determination

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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.**

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2019012052

**Project Title:** Mail Ridge Forest Health and Wildfire Resilience Project

**Project Location:** Humboldt County, CA

**Project Description:** The Humboldt County Public Works Department is providing funding to the Humboldt County Resource Conservation District to help implement treatments on up to 273 acres of State Responsibility Area (SRA) lands located within private industrial timberlands in the Pratt Mountain area of Mail Ridge, west of Phillipsville, Humboldt County, CA. Humboldt County Resource Conservation District has prepared a Project-Specific Analysis (PSA) and Addendum for the project as a later activity covered by the California Vegetation Treatment Project (CalVTP) Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Mail Ridge Forest Health and Wildfire Resilience Project. The proposed treatment types (i.e., wildland-urban interface fuel reduction, fuel break, and ecological restoration) and treatment activities (i.e., manual treatments, mechanical treatments, and prescribed burning including broadcast and pile burning) are consistent with those evaluated in the CalVTP Program EIR. Chaparral or coastal sage scrub vegetation types do not occur within the treatment, thus, PRC § 4483 would not apply. Maintenance treatments would involve the same vegetation treatment types and activities used in the initial treatments. The purpose of these treatments is to promote forest and watershed health, reduce fuel loads, and demonstrate the efficacy of climate beneficial prescriptions.

This is to advise that the Humboldt County Public Works Department ( Lead Agency  Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on February 19, 2026 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Program Environmental Impact Report (CalVTP Program EIR) was previously prepared (SCH# 2019012052) pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. A Project Specific Analysis (PSA) and Addendum was prepared for the Mail Ridge Forest Health and Wildfire Resilience Project. This analysis determined the project is within the scope of the CalVTP Program EIR and consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15168(c)(2).
4. The CalVTP Program EIR sufficiently analyzes and addresses potential environmental impacts from the project, and the project will not trigger any of the criteria requiring additional CEQA review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. The project will not result in new significant impacts or a substantial increase in the severity of the significant environmental impacts identified in the CalVTP Program EIR.
5. Mitigation measures and standard project requirements from the CalVTP Program EIR were made a condition of the approval of the project; no new project specific mitigation measures are required.

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21087, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

6. The implementation of applicable CalVTP Program EIR mitigation measures and standard project requirements will be monitored and reported pursuant to the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program that was adopted for this project.
7. The previous statement of overriding considerations in the CalVTP Program EIR was reaffirmed and adopted for this project by Humboldt County RCD (lead agency).
8. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

This is to certify that the Mail Ridge Forest Health and Wildfire Resilience Project PSA and Addendum and record of project approval for the CalVTP Program EIR are available to the public on the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection webpage with the environmental documentation associated with individual approved CalVTP projects:

<https://bof.fire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/calvtp-homepage-and-storymap/>.

Signature: 

Date: 02/23/2026

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