

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: Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project

Project Location: Sonoma and Napa Counties

Project Description: The California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention (CAL FIRE) would provide funding to Conservation Corps North Bay to support training and job placement in the forestry and fire workforces, intended to advance career development and increase diversity in California's forestry and fire workforce. S-212 training courses will be conducted including both manual and mechanical treatment activities. These activities are consistent with those evaluated in the CalVTP Program EIR and, pursuant to PRC § 4483, have been designed to avoid type conversion in areas where chaparral and/or coastal sage scrub plant communities may be present. Training activities may be conducted on up to 1,350 acres within the Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project, CalVTP Project Specific Analysis, in Sonoma and Napa counties.

This is to advise that CAL FIRE (Lead Agency Responsible Agency) has approved the above-described project on February 27, 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 Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. The previous statement of overriding considerations in the CalVTP Program EIR was reaffirmed and adopted for this project by CAL FIRE.
7. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of State CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.

Dated Received for filing at OPR:

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

Reference: Sections 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

This is to certify that the Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project PSA and Addendum, 2021-15, 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/>.

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Date: 2/27/2026