NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

PROJECT TITLE	Camp Bountiful Fuel Reduction		
PROJECT LOCATION	Sec 19 T18N, R10E, MDB&M	**COUNTY**	Nevada
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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Project Description

This project is located in and around a summer camp that serves several hundred children each summer. It is located in a mixed conifer setting above Holly Ravine.

The proposed project is involves utilizing CALFIRE hand crews to remove understory fuels around the complex to provide a reduced fuel loading which in turn will improve the camp attendees survival in the event of a wildfire while reducing the possibility of an ignition within the camp from spreading into the wildand. The crews will remove the fuel ladder by cutting underbrush, pruning trees up eight to ten feet where practical. The material will be cut and piled in a location where the landowner has been burning their excess vegetation for over a decade.

EXEMPTION STATUS

☒ Categorical Exemption — Type/Section: Class 1, 4, and 7
14CCR§15301 (c), Existing Facilities
14 CCR§15304, Minor Alterations to Land
14CCR§15307, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for the Protection of Natural Resources

☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):

☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)

☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))

☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

14CCR§15304, *Minor Alteration to Land.* The project involves hand clearing of brush and ladder fuels in and around an existing church camp.

14CCR§15301(c), *Existing Facilities*: maintenance of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycles and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety).

14CCR§15307, *Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources:* The project will help prevent wild fires.

Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at NEU Headquarters in Auburn.

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