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State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
1416 Ninth Street
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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Prescribed Burns of PCT Plots
LOCATION: McArthur-Burney Fall Memorial State Park **COUNTY:** Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:
Project work includes seven Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) burn plots west and south of Burney Creek in the State Park. The project area totals approximately 55 acres. The plots will be burned as weather permits which may span several years. Conditions to protect cultural resources in burn plots have been incorporated into the Burn Plan. The Department has begun a long term project to reduce fuel loading/buildup in Mc Arthur-Burney Falls MSP through prescribed burning and mechanical removal of fuels. Conditions have been developed by a Department of Parks and Recreation qualified Archeologist and incorporated into the Burn Plan that will reduce potential impacts to the cultural resources to 'No Adverse Effect'. Conditions will also avoid impacts to nesting osprey.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS:
☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:
Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of public land and vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "prescribed burns to restore native vegetation, reduce fuel loads, and control invasive exotic or alien species" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4..

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