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State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Sierra District Headquarters
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PROJECT TITLE: Emerald Bay and D.L. Bliss Forest Restoration

LOCATION: Emerald Bay and D.L. Bliss State Parks **COUNTY:** El Dorado

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Conduct forest thinning and hazard fuel reduction on 105 acres at Emerald Bay and D.L. Bliss State Parks to reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfire and improve native forest composition and structure. Work will manually forest thin, chip and pile burn on 74 acres; mechanically forest thin and masticate on 31 acres; use temporary road and landing to haul forest biomass from the project area; rehabilitate and remove after project completion. Install or maintain Best Management Practices to control erosion.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

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

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:
Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature scenic trees except for forestry purposes and is included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR§ 15300.4.

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