

# Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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From: (Public Agency) Feather River Resource Conservation District  
PO Box 3562  
Quincy, CA 95971

(Address)

County Clerk / County of Plumas

520 Main Street, Room 102

Quincy, CA 95971

**Project Title:** Big Meadows Community Defensible Space Fuel Reduction Project

**Project**

**Applicant:** Sierra Institute for Community and Environment

**Project Location – Specific:**

West -124.409606 East -114.131484 North 42.009840 South 32.534034; Mt. Diablo Meridian T27N R08E Sec. 19; APNs: 001350003, 001350006, 001350007, 001350009, 001350010, 001350011, 001350012, 001350013, 001350014, 001350015, 001350016

**Project Location - City:** Near Prattville

**Project Location - County:** Plumas

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

This fuel reduction project is designed to reduce wildfire risk in the 40 acre community of Big Meadows, which is surrounded by National Forest lands; and is part of a larger 6,000 acre project area scheduled for work by the USFS, Collins Pine, and other private lands to reduce risk of a catastrophic wildfire.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:**

Feather River Resource Conservation District

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

Sierra Institute for Community and Environment

**Exempt Status: (check one)**

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));

Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15304 (i) Minor Alterations to the Land

Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

An environmental review was completed for fuels reduction planned upon private lands concluding that project implementation, as designed, would have less than significant impact in each resource area. Project design is consistent with 1) the CA Forest Practice Rules, 2) General Order of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, 3) Section 106 of National Historic Preservation Act, 4) Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District (NSAQMD) standards, and 5) Federal and State Endangered Species Acts.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Brad Graevs

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-927-5299

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project:  Yes  No

Signature: 

Date: 3/5/20

Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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