

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of: Tuolumne
2 South Green Street
Sonora, CA 95370

From: (Public Agency): _____
Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD)
18885 Nugget Blvd., Sonora, CA 95370

(Address)

Project Title: TUD Water Tank and Conveyance System Project, Brentwood Facility

Project Applicant: Tuolumne Utilities District

Project Location - Specific:

Brentwood Park Unit One, Lying within the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4, of Sec. 8, T.2 N., R.16 E., M.D.B.&M., site address of 23358 Tanager Drive, Twain Harte, California. Parcels: APN: 040-161-022, 040-161-024

Project Location - City: Twain Harte Project Location - County: Tuolumne

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is for wildfire hazard reduction surrounding TUD's Brentwood Water Treatment Plant (WTP). The project area is < 2 acres and consists of reducing brush and ladder fuels using mastication and hand-chipping in an area within 200' of the WTP. No live tree >12" will be cut and residual trees will be pruned to 10'.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD)

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: Section 15304, Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____


Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15304 of the State CEQA Guidelines because the project consists of minor alterations in the condition of vegetation which would not result in the removal of healthy, mature trees; the project would not significantly impact special status species of plants or animals or cultural resources.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Erik Johnson, District Engineer Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-532-5536, ext. 1

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: 5/10/2021 Title: District Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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