

Notice of Determination

To:

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County of: Mariposa
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From:

Public Agency Sierra Nevada Conservancy
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Lead Agency (if different from above):

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resource Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): _____

Project Title: Von Der Ahe Forest Enhancement Project (SNC 1063)

Project Applicant: Sierra Foothill Conservancy

Project Location (include county): Mariposa, Mariposa County

Project Description:

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy would provide \$721,487 in funding for forest management activities on 250 acres of forested lands in southern Mariposa County near the communities of Triangle Park, Lush Meadows, Ponderosa Basin, Jerseydale, and Bootjack. The treatments would restore the property's forest which has been heavily impacted by drought, pest infestation, tree mortality and dense overgrown vegetation. The property is in a high severity wildfire zone and a potential threat to the surrounding communities and forests. Specific treatments would include hand and mechanical thinning to achieve 150 trees per acre in plantations and to establish 15 feet between crowns of oak trees, dead trees will be removed to a density not to exceed five per acre, and pruning will occur to limb trees to 10 feet. All work will be performed in compliance with the California Forest Practices Act and an adopted Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan (NTMP) prepared for the property (No. N-4-99-6; Von Der Ahe NTMP), which was approved by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) on July 20, 1999.

This is to advise that the Sierra Nevada Conservancy **has approved the above**

(Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on June 6, 2019 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.
(date)

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan (No. N-4-99-6; Von Der Ahe NTMP) was adopted by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant to Chapter 8, commencing with section 4511 of Part 2 of Division 4 of the Public Resources Code. The Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan meets the requirements of a Substitute Document pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15252. The Sierra Nevada Conservancy is using the substitute document in its approval of the project as a Responsible Agency, consistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15253 (a) and (b).
3. Mitigation Measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Nonindustrial Timber Management Plan is available to the General Public at:

Sierra Nevada Conservancy, 11521 Blocker Drive Suite 205, Auburn, CA 95603

Signature (Public Agency):



Title:

Deputy Executive Officer

Date:

6/7/19

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

JUNE 11 2019

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section: 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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