

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Nevada

From: (Public Agency): County of Nevada

Department of Public Works

950 Maidu Ave, Ste 170, Nevada City, CA 95959

(Address)

Project Title: 2026 Vegetation Removal

Project Applicant: Nevada County Department of Public Works

Project Location - Specific:

Approximately 28 miles of County maintained roads.

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Nevada

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Vegetation removal along approximately 28 miles of County maintained roads to improve wildfire egress for residents and ingress for emergency services. Proposed vegetation removal roads are Boulder St, Copper Dr, Footwall Dr, Gold Hill Dr, Hanging Wall Dr, Mercury Dr, Partridge Rd, Pleasant Valley Rd, Purdon Rd, Rector Rd, Rock Creek Rd, Rough & Ready Hwy, Rough & Ready Rd, Silver Wy and Terrace Pines Ct.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Nevada County Board of Supervisors

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Nevada County Department of Public Works

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)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is for vegetation removal up to 15-ft from the edge of the road. Vegetation removal includes removal of vegetation up to 6-in diameter, dead/down trees/limbs of any size, and tree limbing up to 15-ft above ground level. This type of work is exempt from CEQA provisions under Section 15304(i) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency


Contact Person: Richard Poole

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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: 11/24/2025 Title: Assistant 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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____