



## DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

135 Ridgway Ave.  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401  
Website: [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov)  
(707) 576-2959



Date: June 10, 2014  
Ref.: 1-14EX-163-HUM



JIMI TITCHENELL  
638 N WESTHAVEN DRIVE  
TRINIDAD, CA 95570

Dear MR. TITCHENELL:

This is to acknowledge that your **Less Than 3 Acre Conversion Exemption** was accepted on **June 9, 2014**. It has been assigned the above listed Exemption number. All timber operations must be complete within one year. All conversion activities must be complete within two years, unless under permit by local jurisdiction.

**\*\*\*Please read the enclosed notice regarding Listed Anadromous Salmonids, Slash Clean-up,  
Sudden Oak Death, Pitch Canker, and Operations between October 15 – May 1.\*\*\***

In addition, please note the requirement for submittal of the Timber Operations Work Completion and/or Stocking Report (blue form) upon completion of the project.

Compliance with all provisions of the Forest Practice Act, rules pursuant to Section 1104.1(a)--Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, will be determined by future inspection(s).

If you have any questions you may contact your local CAL FIRE Forest Practice Inspector or me at (707) 576-2959.

Sincerely,

Daniel Sooy  
Staff Forester  
RPF #2793

## Enclosure

cc: Unit  
Fish & Wildlife  
Water Quality  
County Planning  
Board of Equalization  
RPF – Chris Carroll  
LTO – Rice Equipment  
File

# LESS THAN 3 ACRE CONVERSION EXEMPTION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION  
NOTICE OF TIMBER OPERATIONS THAT ARE EXEMPT FROM  
CONVERSION AND TIMBER HARVESTING PLAN REQUIREMENTS  
RM-73 (1104.1a) (11/12)

VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF RECEIPT BY CAL FIRE  
TIMBER OPERATIONS CANNOT START UNTIL VALID COPY  
OF A NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE IS RECEIVED FROM CAL FIRE

FOR ADMIN. USE ONLY ✓ *D. Sooy*  
Ex. # 1-14EX-163 Num  
Date of Receipt MAY 22 2014  
Date Accepted 6. 9. 2014  
Date Expires 6-8-2015

The Director of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is hereby notified of timber operations under the requirements of 14 CCR § 1104.1(a): Harvesting of trees that is a single conversion to a non-timber growing use of timberland of less than three acres. (See 14 CCR § 1104.1(a) for a description of the conditions on the conduct of this type of timber operation and additional information that is required to be submitted.) Complete Items 1 through 8 on both pages of this notice.

## 1. TIMBER OWNER(S) OF RECORD: Jim Titchanell

Address: 838 N. Westhaven Drive

City: Trinidad State: CA Zip: 95570 Phone: 707-602-6027

TIMBER TAX EXEMPTION: Timber owners owe timber yield tax when they harvest trees unless the harvest is exempt (Revenue and Taxation Code sec. 38118). Some small or low value harvests may be exempt from timber yield tax: Timber removed from an operation whose value does not exceed \$3,000 within a quarter, according to BOE Harvest Value Schedules, Rule 1024. If you believe your harvest may qualify for this exemption, please complete Items A and B below. For timber yield tax information or for further assistance with these questions call the State Board of Equalization, 1-800-400-7115, or write: Timber Tax Section, M/C: 60, State Board of Equalization, P.O. Box 942879, Sacramento, California 94279-0080; or contact the BOE Web Page on the Internet at <http://www.boe.ca.gov>.

### A. Circle the option that most closely estimates the total volume for this harvest, in thousands of board feet (mbf - Net Scribner short log):

Under 8 mbf      8-15 mbf      16-25 mbf      Over 25 mbf

### B. Estimate the species composition of the timber that will be removed during this harvest (numbers should sum to 100%):

Redwood \_\_\_\_\_%; Ponderosa/Sugar pine \_\_\_\_\_%; Douglas-fir 95%; Fir \_\_\_\_\_%;  
Port-Orford Cedar \_\_\_\_\_%; Cedar (IO, WRC) \_\_\_\_\_%; Other conifer \_\_\_\_\_%; Other hardwood 5%

## 2. TIMBERLAND OWNER(S) OF RECORD: Jim Titchanell

Address: 838 N. Westhaven Drive

City: Trinidad State: CA Zip: 95570 Phone: 707-602-6027

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that this is a one-time conversion to a non-timberland use and that there is a "bona fide intent" [14 CCR § 1100(h)] to convert to Agriculture.

SIGNATURE Jim Titchanell Date 5/12/14

## 3. LICENSED TIMBER OPERATOR(S): Rice Equipment

Lic. No. A-10930 ✓

Address P.O. Box 88

City Burnt Ranch State CA Zip 95527 Phone 530-828-1929

SIGNATURE BR Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Designate the legal land description of the location of timberland conversion. A map showing the location of the timberland conversion MUST be attached. The map must show the ownership boundaries, the location of the timber operation, boundaries of the conversion, location and classification of watercourses, and landing locations.

Section 26 Township 3N Range 4E Base & Meridian Humboldt County Humboldt Acreage to be Converted 2.7 Assessors Parcel Number 317-033-00

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5. The following are limitations or requirements for timber operations conducted under a Less Than Three Acre Conversion Exemption (Notice, Notice of Conversion Exemption, Conversion Exemption):
- Timber operations shall comply with all other applicable provisions of the Forest Practice Act and regulations, county general plans, zoning ordinances, and any implementing ordinances; copies of the state rules and regulations may be found on CAL FIRE's Web Page on the Internet at <http://www.fire.ca.gov>.
  - All timber operations shall be complete within one year from the date of acceptance by CAL FIRE.
  - All conversion activities shall be complete within two years from the date of acceptance by CAL FIRE unless under permit by local jurisdiction. Failure to complete the conversion requires compliance with stocking standards and stocking report requirements of the Forest Practice Act and Board of Forestry and Fire Protection regulations.
  - The timber operator shall remove or dispose of all slash or woody debris in accordance with 14 CCR § 1104.1(a)(2)(D)(1)-(3). The timberland owner may assume responsibility for the slash treatment; provided the landowner acknowledges in writing to CAL FIRE such responsibility at the time of submission of this notice. The specific requirements shall be included with the acknowledgement.
  - Timber operations may be conducted during the winter period. Tractor operations in the winter period are allowed under any of the conditions described in 14 CCR § 1104.1(a)(2)(E)1-3.
  - No timber operations are allowed within a watercourse and lake protection zone unless specifically approved by local permit (e.g., county, city).
  - No timber operations shall be conducted until CAL FIRE's notice of acceptance is received and a valid copy of this notice and CAL FIRE's acceptance shall be kept on site during timber operations.
  - No sites of rare, threatened or endangered plants or animals or species of special concern shall be disturbed, threatened, or damaged.
  - No timber operations are allowed on significant historical or archeological sites.
  - Within one month of the completion of timber operations, including slash disposal, the timberland owner shall submit a work completion report to CAL FIRE.
  - A violation of the conversion exemption, including a conversion applied for in the name of someone other than the person or entity implementing the conversion in bona fide good faith, are violations of the Forest Practice Act and penalties may accrue up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for each violation pursuant to Article 6 (commencing with Section 4601).

6. I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare as the authorized designee of the County Board of Supervisors that this conversion exemption is in conformance with all county regulatory requirements, including public notice. (If the county has authorized a designee this item MUST be completed. If it has not, see item 7.)

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

7. Registered Professional Forester preparing Notice: Chris Carroll Number 2628

Address Timberland Resource Consultants, 165 South Fortuna Blvd, Suite 4

City Fortuna State CA Zip 95540 Phone 707-726-1897

I have, or my supervised designee has, (1) prepared this Notice of Conversion Exemption Timber Operations; (2) visited the site and flagged the boundaries of the conversion exemption, applicable WEPZs and equipment limitation zones; (3) prepared a Neighborhood Notice of Conversion Exemption according to 14 CCR § 1104.1(a)(3) to be mailed by the landowner to adjacent landowners; and (4) posted and dated a copy of the Neighborhood Notice of Conversion Exemption on the ownership, visible to the public, at least 5 days prior to the postmark date of submission of the Notice of Conversion Exemption. I certify that if the County Board of Supervisors has not designated a representative authorized to sign in item 6 that I, or my supervised designee, completed this county and the Notice is in conformance with county regulations.

SIGNATURE OF RPF [Signature] Date 5-22-14

8. NOTICE SUBMITTER(S): Jim Titelman

Address: 636 N. Westhaven Drive

City: Trinidad State: CA Zip: 95570 Phone: 707-502-6027

Submitter must be 1, 2, or 3 above, and must sign.

SIGNATURE [Signature] Date 5/12/14

FILE THIS NOTICE WITH THE CAL FIRE OFFICE BELOW FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE OPERATION WILL OCCUR

Forest Practice, CAL FIRE 135 Ridgway Avenue Santa Rosa, CA 95401	Forest Practice, CAL FIRE 6105 Airport Road Redding, CA 96002	Forest Practice, CAL FIRE 1234 East Shaw Avenue Fresno, CA 93710	JUN 09 2014 COAST AREA OFFICE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT RECEIVED MAY 22 2014 COAST AREA OFFICE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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## **Project Description**

This conversion proposes to convert timberland into an agricultural site. Per the Humboldt County General Plan, the conversion exemption area is presently zoned Timber Production (TPZ). Humboldt County's Grading and Open Space Ordinance does not apply to this project because the conversion exemption area is zoned TPZ, and the property is greater than 3 acres in size. Consequently, Item 6 is not signed by the County's designee. The RPF has attached an e-mail from Humboldt County Planning, which states that no County review is required for Less Than 3-Acre Conversion Exemptions on TPZ lands. Agriculture is a principally permitted activity on TPZ lands

### **Addendum 14CCR 1104.1(a)(1)(E)(1-4)**

The timberland owner has certified via his signature, under penalty of perjury, that this is a one-time conversion to Agriculture. The timberland owner understands that a "Bona Fide Intention or bona fide intent" is a present, sincere intention of the applicant to conform with and successfully execute the conversion plan, as determined by the Director in accordance with provisions of Sec. 1105.2 (Ref.: Sec. 4623, PRC). The timberland owner, acting as an individual, acting as a member of a partnership, or acting as an officer or employee of a corporation or other legal entity, has not obtained an exemption pursuant to this section in the last five years.

### **Addendum 14CCR 1104.1(a)(2)(F)**

There are no watercourses, ELZs, or WLPZs within the conversion exemption area.

### **Addendum 14CCR 1104.1(a)(6)**

#### **The extent of the vegetation removal and site preparation required for the conversion;**

The conversion area consists of merchantable Douglas-fir with a minor component of tanoak and madrone. This conversion will require timber harvesting and treatment of logging slash. Grading and excavation shall be required but no significant earthwork appears necessary to successfully convert the sites.

#### **The suitability of soils, slope, aspect, and microclimate for the stated non-timber use;**

The conversion exemption area's slopes are gentle to moderately sloping with aspects represented that are favorable for agriculture. The soils are inadequate for agriculture but grow medium is imported and therefore not a limiting factor.

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**Addendum 14CCR 1104.1(a)(2)(D) - Treatment of Logging Slash and Woody Debris.**

1. Unless otherwise required, slash greater than one inch in diameter and greater than two feet long, and woody debris, except pine, shall receive full treatment no later than April 1 of the year following its creation, or within one year from the date of acceptance of the conversion exemption by the Director, whichever comes first.
2. All pine slash three inches and greater in diameter and longer than four feet must receive initial treatment if it is still on the parcel, within 7 days of its creation.
3. All pine woody debris longer than four feet must receive an initial treatment prior to full treatment.
4. Initial treatment shall include limbing woody debris and cutting slash and woody debris into lengths of less than four feet, and leaving the pieces exposed to solar radiation to aid in rapid drying.
5. Full treatment of all pine slash and woody debris must be completed by March 1 of the year following its creation, or within one year from the date of acceptance of the conversion exemption by the Director, whichever comes first.
6. Full slash and woody debris treatment may include any of the following:
  - a. Burying;
  - b. Chipping and spreading;
  - c. Piling and burning; or
  - d. Removing slash and woody debris from the site for treatment in compliance with (a)-(b). Slash and woody debris may not be burned by open outdoor fires except under permit from the appropriate fire protection agency, if required, the local air pollution control district or air quality management district. The burning must occur on the property where the slash and woody debris originated.
7. Slash and woody debris, except for pine, which is cut up for firewood shall be cut to lengths 24 inches or less and set aside for drying by April 1 of the year following its creation. Pine slash and woody debris which is cut up for firewood shall be cut to lengths 24 inches or less and set aside for drying within seven days of its creation.
8. Any treatment which involves burning of slash or woody debris shall comply with all state and local fire and air quality rules.

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**General Location Map**



Property Boundary



Conversion Exemption Area

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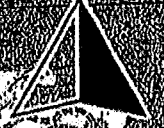
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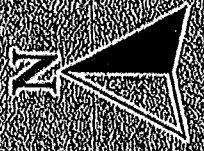


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**Haul Route Map**

-  Property Boundary
-  Conversion Exemption Area
-  Existing Seasonal Road
-  Stapp County Road

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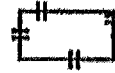
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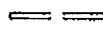
# Titchenell Conversion Operations Map



Property Boundary



Conversion Exemption



Existing Seasonal Road



Landing

Scale 1" = 150'

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Glass J. Watercourse

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