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February 12, 2018

Joseph S. Bilandzija  
The Humboldt Cure  
P.O. Box 262  
Alderpoint, Ca 95511

Dear Joseph:

Re: APN 216-381-021

The following is an evaluation of potential timberland conversion on proposed cannabis cultivation sites and associated areas included in the Humboldt County Cannabis Permit Application for Joseph Bilandzija within APN 216-381-021. Please accept this letter as the RPF's written report required by Humboldt County Code, Ordinance No. 2559 (Commercial Medical Marijuana Land Use), Section 55.4.10 (j), sited below.

"Alternately, for existing operations occupying sites created through prior unauthorized conversion of timberland, if the landowner has not completed a civil or criminal process and/or entered into a negotiated settlement with CALFIRE, the applicant shall secure the services of a registered professional forester (RPF) to evaluate site conditions and conversion history for the property and provide a written report to the Planning Division containing the RPF's recommendation as to remedial actions necessary to bring the conversion area into compliance with provisions of the Forest Practices Act. The Planning Division shall provide CAL-FIRE written Notice of Availability of the RPF's report. If CAL-FIRE takes no action within ten (10) days of the notice of availability, the report recommendations shall become final."

Timberland Resource Consultants (TRC) inspected and evaluated the proposed cultivation sites and associated areas contained within the application on February 2, 2018. The RPF exercised due diligence in reviewing all sites and all available resources to fully assess potential timberland conversion. This report evaluates the cultivation sites and associated areas for timber operations only. All other land alteration such a grading, construction, and other permit-regulated activities do not fall within the scope of this report. All property features and sites unrelated to cultivation activities also do not fall within the scope of this report. All findings are summarized in the report below.

## **Project Summary**

The property is a 10-acre parcel located in the Ranch Sequoia subdivision southwest of the community of Alderpoint. Legal description is the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 5, Township 4S, Range 5E, Humboldt Base & Meridian. The property contains several cultivation sites as described below and numerous outbuildings and plastic water tanks. The greater property is densely forested with second growth tanoak, Pacific madrone, and Douglas-fir. Based upon increment borings of dominant Douglas-fir trees, the parcel appears to have been harvested (regenerated) approximately 60-70 years ago. Review of 1968 aerial imagery shows numerous truck roads, landings, and advanced regeneration suggestive of recent timber harvest +/- 10-15 years prior. No timber harvesting via a THP or NTMP have occurred since the original harvest, and none have been recorded by Cal Fire on the property in the past 20-25 years (Watershed Mapper v2 [http://egis.fire.ca.gov/watershed\\_mapper/](http://egis.fire.ca.gov/watershed_mapper/)). TRC prepared Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM for the Applicant and former landowner, Joseph Bilandzija, which was approved by Cal Fire in December 2015. The areas converted via the permit are shown on the attached map. TRC also prepared a 10% Exemption 1-16-EX074 HUM, which covered the entire property, for the Applicant and former landowner, Joseph Bilandzija, which was approved by Cal Fire in March 2016. The current landowner, Canglomerate Inc., purchased the property from Joseph Bilandzija in January 2017. Joseph Bilandzija originally purchased the property in 2011.

### **Cultivation Site 1**

The cultivation site encompasses an approximately 1.0-acre area, which historically consisted of a combination of full term/outdoor and mixed light cultivation. Per Baird Engineering's Site Plan, existing cannabis cultivation at Cultivation Site 1 consists of Greenhouse 1 (mixed light) at 1,360 ft<sup>2</sup>; Greenhouse 2 (mixed light) at 1,800 ft<sup>2</sup>; Greenhouse 3 (mixed light) at 1,600 ft<sup>2</sup>; and 6,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of outdoor cultivation. Total cultivation at this site is 10,760 ft<sup>2</sup>. The site also contains 4 buildings and numerous water tanks. Review of 1968 aerial imagery reveals a large log landing was located at Cultivation Site 1. In 1998 the site was approximately half grown over with tanoak and Douglas-fir relative to 1968 conditions. Between 2005 and 2014 the site was slightly expanded, and between 2014 and 2016 the site was significantly expanded to the north by approximately 0.40 acres. On March 25, 2016 Cal Fire approved a "10% Exemption" (1-16-EX074 HUM), which included (1) harvesting dead, dying or diseased trees of any size in amounts less than 10 percent of the average volume per acre, and (2) harvesting fuelwood or split products in amounts less than 10 percent of the average volume per acre. See Cal Fire's Inspection Report (attached) regarding the use of this exemption permit within Cultivation Site 1. Despite the owner's attempt at compliance with the Forest Practice Rules via the submission of the 10% Exemption, conversion activities appear to have occurred. The cultivation activities observed at Cultivation Site 1 impede the use of this space for current timber growth and harvesting, and the landowner has effectively converted the single use of this space from timber production to cannabis cultivation. Thus, Cultivation Site 1 constitutes timberland conversion.

### **Cultivation Site 2**

The cultivation site encompasses an approximately 1.3-acre area that was harvested and developed via Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM. Per Baird Engineering's Site Plan, Cultivation Site 2 consists of two vegetable greenhouses totaling 3,840 ft<sup>2</sup> with no cannabis cultivation occurring. There are four proposed cannabis cultivation greenhouses totaling 4,740 ft<sup>2</sup>. The site also contains a groundwater well and two 5,000-gallon water tanks and one 2,500-gallon water tank. Cultivation Site 2 was legally converted per 14CCR 1104.1, and Cal Fire issued a Final Completion for 1-15-EX389 HUM on November 3, 2017 with no violations observed.

## Limitations and Considerations for Timberland Conversion Activities

### Watercourses and Water Resources

*14CCR 1104.1(a)(2)(F): "No timber operations are allowed within a watercourse and lake protection zone unless specifically approved by local permit (e.g., county, city)."*

**Cultivation Site 1:** A small portion of the cultivation site is located within a Class II WLPZ. The slope steepness for the adjacent Class II watercourse ranges from 30-60%. Specifically, the segment of WLPZ southeast of the 776 ft<sup>2</sup> building is 75-feet and 100-feet for the balance of WLPZ to the northwest. This section of WLPZ was flagged by the RPF on February 2, 2018 with blue and white WLPZ ribbon. Humboldt County's Grading and Open Space Ordinance would have applied to this proposed conversion and would have required a 100-foot SMA (WLPZ).

The conversion within the WLPZ would not have been permitted by Cal Fire unless "*specifically approved by local permit (e.g. County, City)*" per 14CCR 1104.1(a)(2)(F).

Please note that per the Applicant's WRPP, all cannabis cultivation has been removed from within the 100-foot buffer along the Class II watercourse. Cultivation related material still remains in the 100-foot buffer, and needs to be removed. Erosion control has also been applied.

**Cultivation Site 2:** Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM is no less than 100-feet from the Class II watercourse. The WLPZ and associated flagging was closely inspected by the RPF on February 2, 2018 to verify compliance. No cultivation activities at Cultivation Site 2 are occurring within the Class II's 100-foot buffer zone. The RPF "freshened" up the WLPZ flagging to increase awareness and future compliance.

**Cultivation Site 3:** Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM is no less than 100-feet from the Class II watercourse. The WLPZ and associated flagging was closely inspected by the RPF on February 2, 2018 to verify compliance. No cultivation related activities at Cultivation Site 3 are occurring within the Class II's 100-foot buffer zone. The RPF "freshened" up the WLPZ flagging to increase awareness and future compliance.

### Slash and Woody Debris Treatment

*14CCR 1104.1(a)(2)(O)(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."*

No slash and/or woody debris from past timber operations or conversion activities were observed. As previously noted, Cal Fire issued a Final Completion for Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM on November 3, 2017 and no violations were observed.

#### Biological Resources and Forest Stand Health

*14 CCR 1104.1 (2)(H): "No sites of rare, threatened or endangered plants or animals shall be disturbed, threatened or damaged and no timber operations shall occur within the buffer zone of a sensitive species as defined in 14 CCR 895.1"*

The California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDDB) was queried in October 2015 in association with the preparation of Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM. No observations of sensitive, rare, threatened, or endangered species or species of special concern were recorded in the CNDDDB within the 0.7-mile biological assessment area surrounding the property. A query of the CNDDDB NSO Database in October 2015 revealed no known Northern Spotted Owl (NSO) Activity Centers within the 0.7-mile biological assessment area surrounding the property.

The conversion areas did not include late successional stands, late seral stage forests, or old growth trees. The conversion area did not include any trees that existed before 1800 A.D and is greater than sixty (60) inches in diameter at stump height for Sierra or Coastal Redwoods, and forty-eight (48) inches in diameter at stump height for all other tree species.

#### Cultural Resources

*14 CCR 1104.1 (2)(1): "No timber operations are allowed on significant historical or archeological sites."*

In association with the preparation of Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM, the RPF conducted pre-field research for the property's geographic location, and closely surveyed the sites and surrounding areas for presence or evidence of archeological or historic sites. This occurred in December 2015. The archaeological survey was conducted by Chris Carroll, a certified archaeological surveyor with current Cal Fire Archaeological Training (Archaeological Training Course # 57R). The survey consisted of examining boot scrapes, rodent disturbances, natural and manmade areas of exposed soils, and road and cultivation site surfaces. An additional survey occurred on February 2, 2018 for Cultivation Site #1 and no archeological sites were observed during the TRC field assessment.

Per 14 CCR 1104.1(2)(1), all required Native American tribes and organizations were notified of the project location. See copy of letters at:

[ftp://thp.fire.ca.gov/THPLibrary/North Coast Region/Exemption%20Notices/2015/20151229\\_1-15EX-389HUM.pdf](ftp://thp.fire.ca.gov/THPLibrary/North_Coast_Region/Exemption%20Notices/2015/20151229_1-15EX-389HUM.pdf)

## Recommendations

In summary, a total of 3.1 acres of timberland conversion have occurred within the property. This acreage is above the three-acre conversion exemption maximum. The conversion activities at Cultivation Site #1 were unpermitted and occurred within the WLPZ. The conversion activities conducted on the property do *not* comply with the California Forest Practice Act and the California Forest Practice Rules. The RPF recommends the following measures for the converted areas:

1. Cultivation Site 1: The previously converted portion of the 100-foot WLPZ along the Class II watercourse shall be re-planted with Group A species (Douglas-fir and/or redwood) at no less than 435 trees per acre density (10-ft by 10-ft spacing). This area is shown on the attached map and equates to approximately 0.25 acres. Planting shall occur per the attached "Restocking Plan". The restocking of this area shall lower the total converted area to 2.85 acres, which is below the three-acre conversion exemption maximum.

Sincerely,



Chris Carroll, RPF #2628  
Timberland Resource Consultants

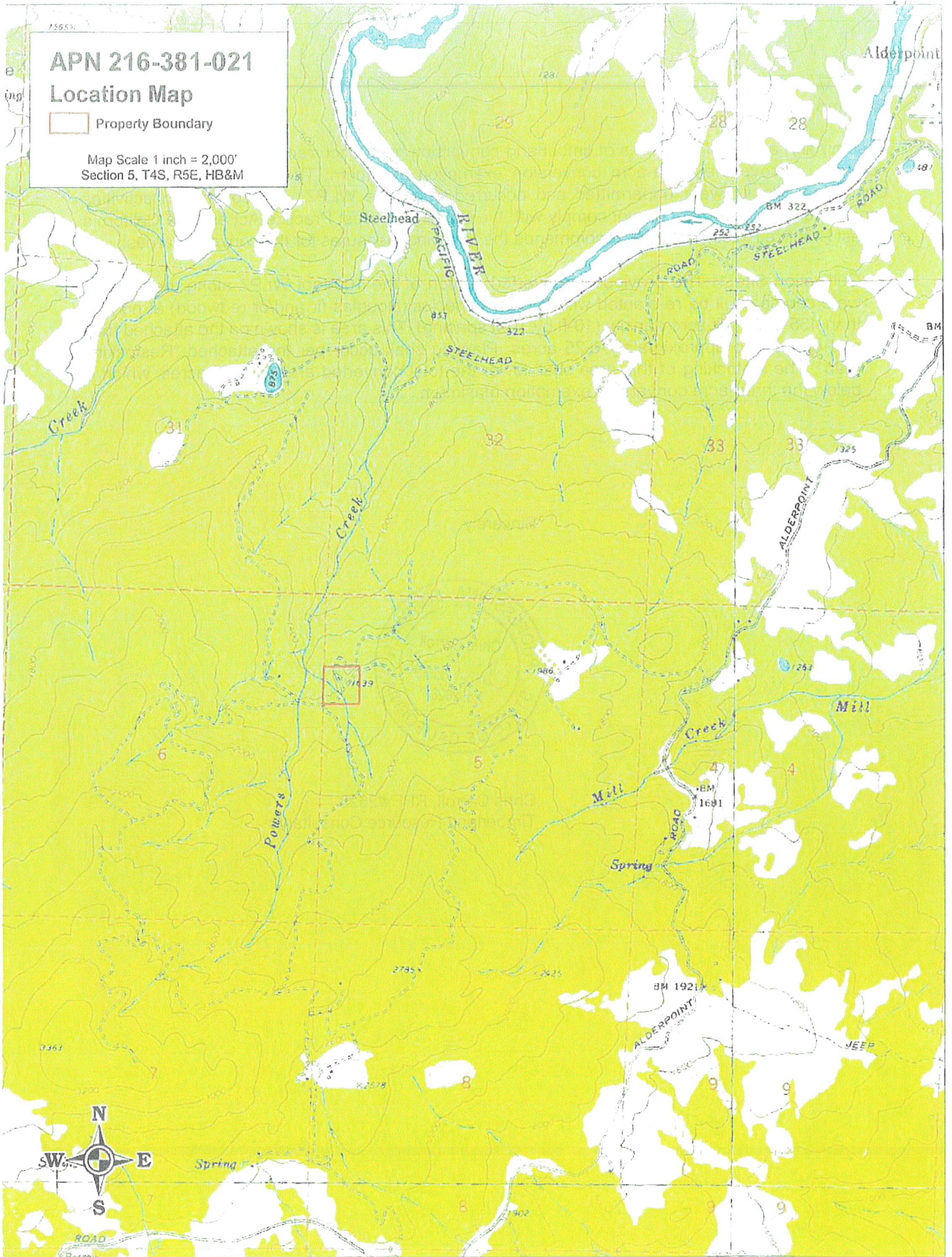
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## Location Map






 Property Boundary

Map Scale 1 inch = 2,000'  
Section 5, T4S, R5E, HB&M

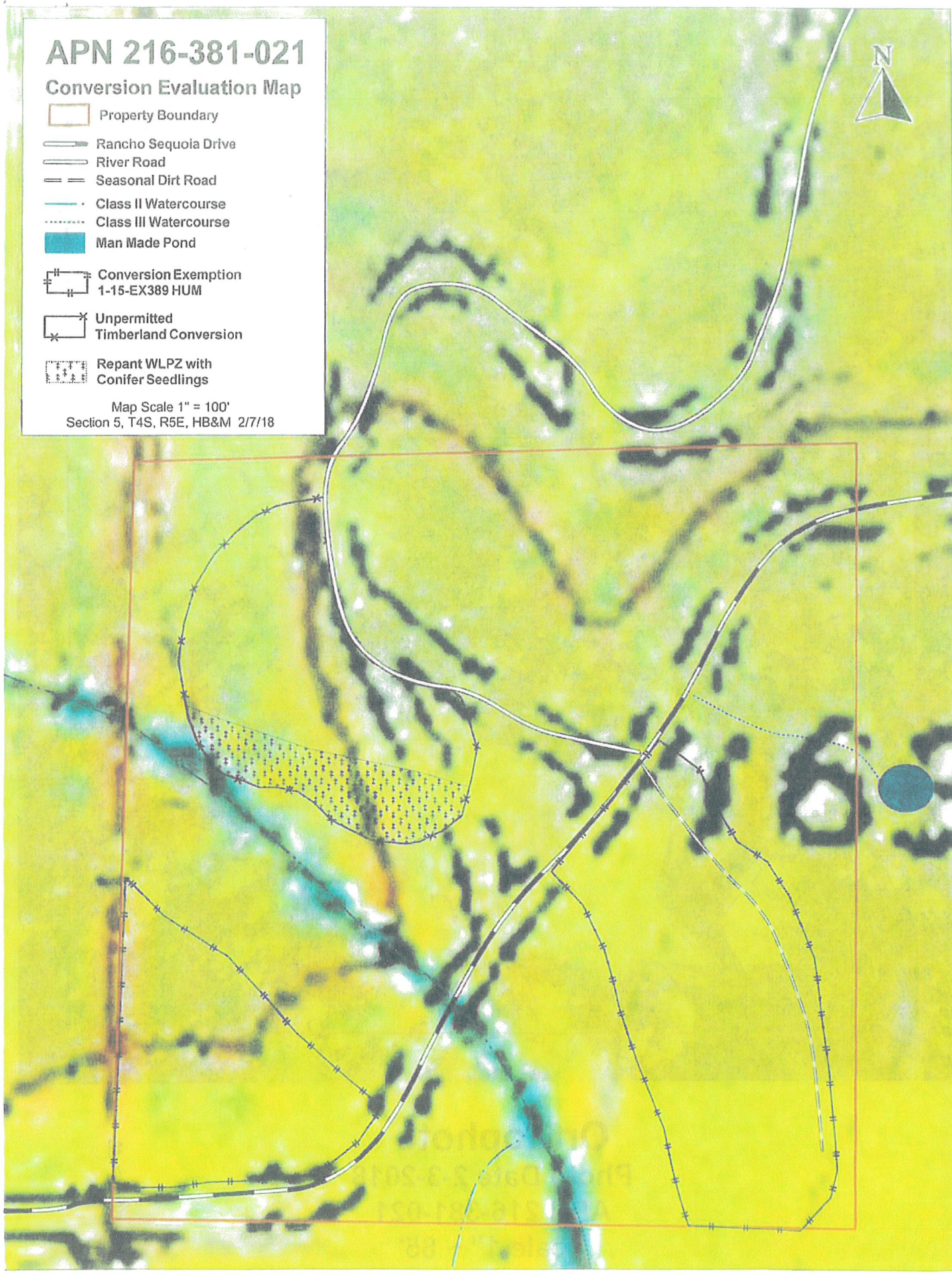


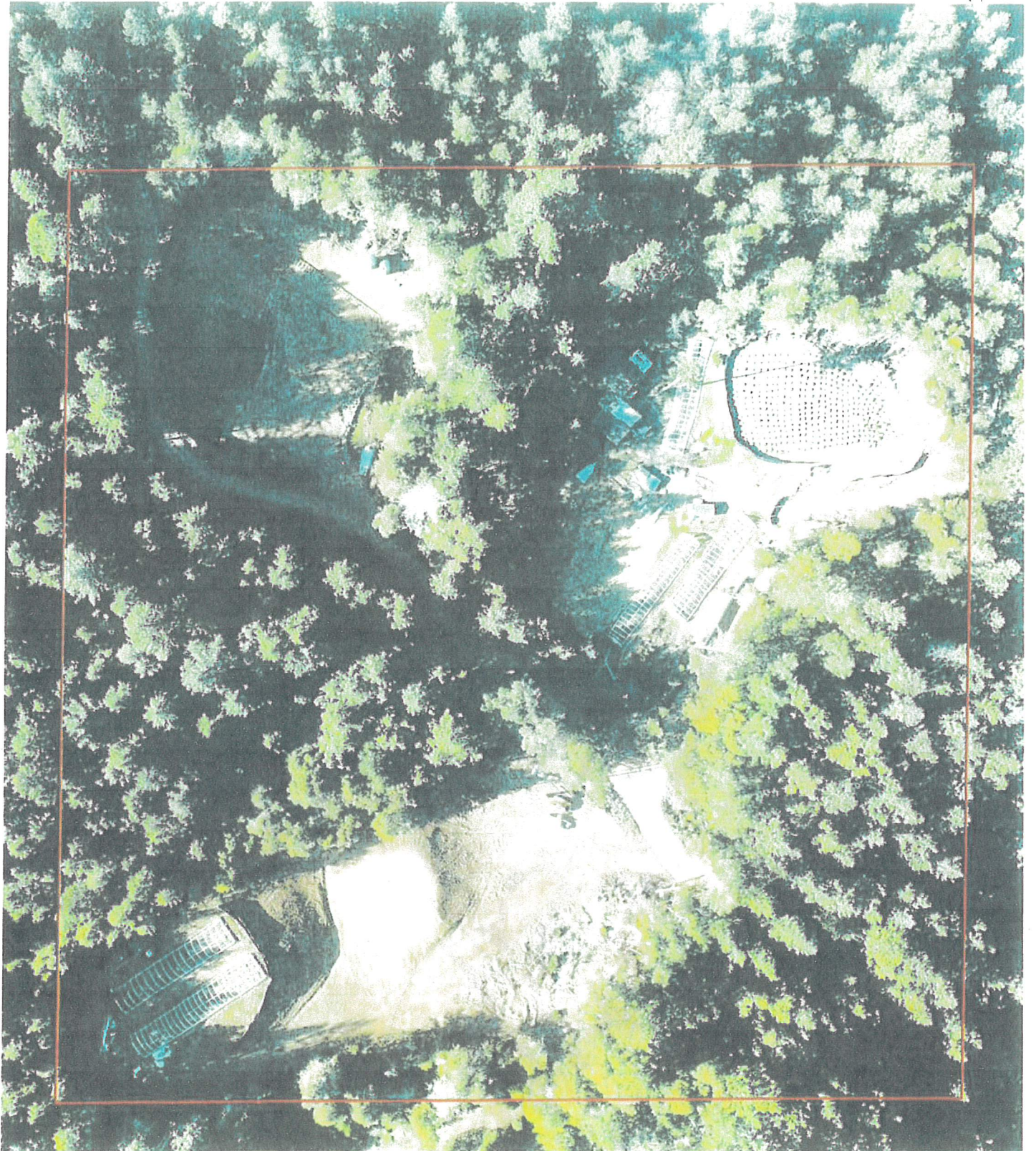
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## Conversion Evaluation Map

-  Property Boundary
-  Rancho Sequoia Drive
-  River Road
-  Seasonal Dirt Road
-  Class II Watercourse
-  Class III Watercourse
-  Man Made Pond
-  Conversion Exemption  
1-15-EX389 HUM
-  Unpermitted  
Timberland Conversion
-  Repant WLPZ with  
Conifer Seedlings

Map Scale 1" = 100'  
Section 5, T4S, R5E, HB&M 2/7/18





**Orthophoto**  
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APN 216-381-021  
Scale 1" ~ 85'

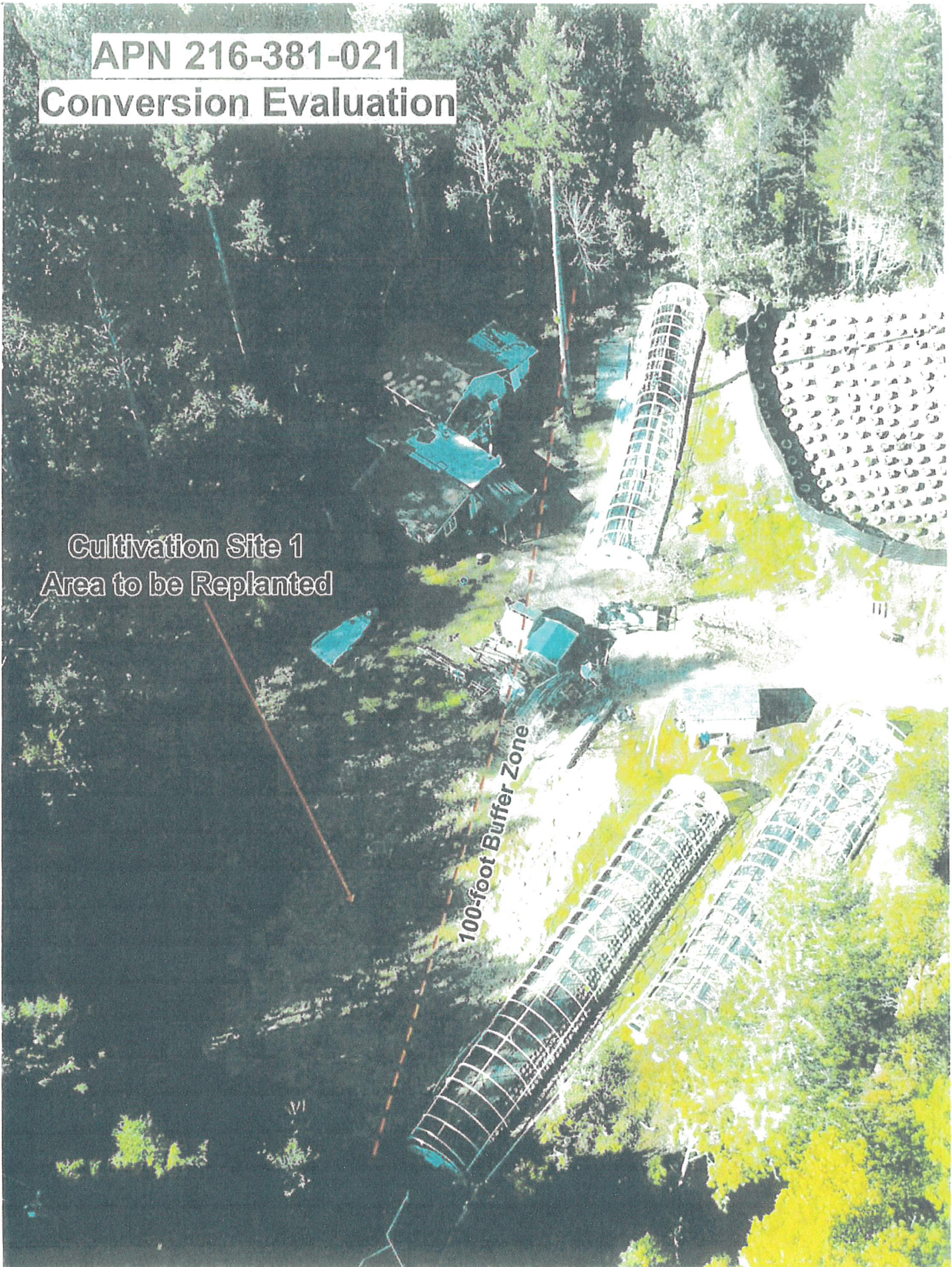




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**Conversion Evaluation**

**Cultivation Site 1**  
**Area to be Replanted**

**100-foot Buffer Zone**

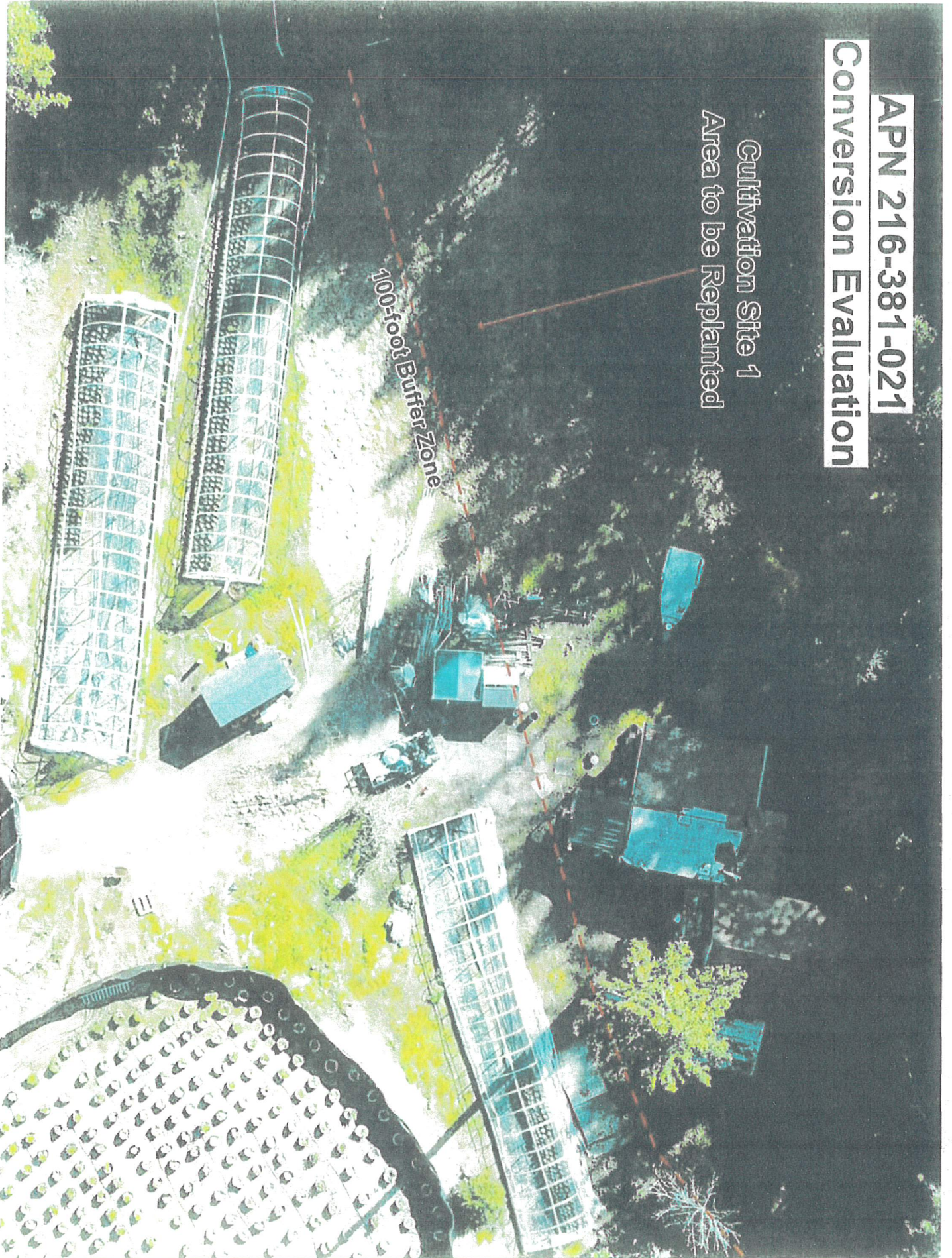


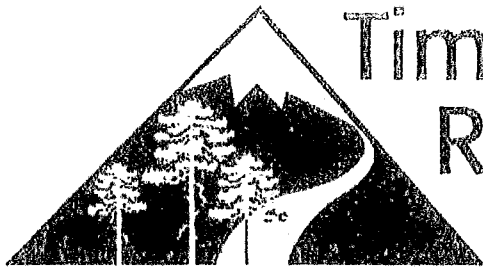
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**Conversion Evaluation**

**Cultivation Site 1  
Area to be Replanted**

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**RESTOCKING PLAN**

**FOR**

**APN 216-381-021**

February 12, 2018

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## Regeneration Plan

Site Preparation: Site preparation is a widely used method to facilitate the establishment of a desirable stand of trees. Site preparation activities remove or reduce competing vegetation, reduce or remove unwanted trees and logging debris, and prepare the soil to promote the growth and survival of desired tree species. There are many methods of site preparation that fall under either chemical or mechanical site preparation. The primary objective is to have an area suitable for planting and establishing a new stand of trees. If heavy equipment is available, the RPF recommends subsoiling/ripping the planted sites. Subsoiling/ripping is a mechanical site prep method for heavy soils on cutover or agricultural lands that have a compacted layer at or below the soil surface that limits root growth and development. Subsoiling/ripping increases aeration and water-holding capacity of compacted soils and breaks up root restricting hardpans and/or traffic pans.

Planting: The RPF recommends planting redwood and/or Douglas-fir seedlings at a spacing no less than 10 feet by 10 feet or 435 trees per acre. If deer browsing is expected (landowner's local knowledge), then the density can be slightly increased to account for mortality and/or damage. The area to be planted is approximately 10,890 ft<sup>2</sup> in size, which shall require approximately 109 conifer seedlings to be planted.

Seedlings: Most conifer seedlings that come from the nursery are usually available in two forms; bareroot seedlings and containerized seedlings. Bareroot seedlings are essentially stock whose roots are exposed at the time of planting. Bareroot seedlings are grown in nursery seedbeds and lifted from the soil in which they are grown to be planted in the field. Containerized seedlings are grown in a variety of hard-walled vessels or in peat pots from seed. Given the conditions of the site and the higher survival rate associated with containerized stock, the RPF recommends using containerized seedlings if available. Seedling care and handling is extremely important to ensure post planting survival. For long-term storage (more than 3 days) store at 33-36 degrees Fahrenheit. For short-term storage (several hours to less than 3 days) store below 42 degrees Fahrenheit. At the planting site take care to not let the roots dry out and avoid exposure to the sun or warmer temperatures.

### Planting Instructions:

1. Tree planting shall only occur in winter or early spring. Tree planting should not occur if the ground is frozen, or during unusually warm periods.
2. Dig a hole at least one inch deeper and wider than the seedling roots. If planting from a container, dig the hole an inch deeper and wider than the container.
3. Place the seedling into the hole taking care not to bend the taproot, or main vertical root, and cover with soil.
4. Pack the soil down firmly around the seedling to remove any air pockets.
5. See Appendix A-D for illustrations for correct planting techniques.
6. The RPF recommends acquiring conifer seedlings from Green Diamond Resource Company's nursery in Korbel. Contact Glen Lehar @ 707-668-4439. Indicate the elevation and geographic area of the planting site and he will recommend the appropriate stock.

Sincerely,



Chris Carroll, RPF# 2628  
Timberland Resource Consultants

# Conversion Exemption 1-15-EX389 HUM

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## 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: December 29, 2015  
Ref.: 1-15EX-389-HUM

JOSEPH BILANDZIJA  
P O BOX 262  
ALDERPOINT, CA 95511

Dear MR. BILANDZIJA:

This is to acknowledge that your **Less Than 3 Acre Conversion Exemption** was accepted on **December 29, 2015**. 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,

Topher Henderson  
Forestry Assistant II

Enclosure

cc: Unit  
Board of Equalization  
RPF - Chris Carroll  
LTO - Sterling Kercher  
File  
[http://thp.fire.ca.gov/THPLibrary/North\\_Coast\\_Region/](http://thp.fire.ca.gov/THPLibrary/North_Coast_Region/)

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  
 Ex. # 1-15 Ex - 389 HUM  
 Date of Receipt DEC 20 2015 ✓  
 Date Accepted DEC 29 2015  
 Date Expires DEC 28 2016

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: Joseph S. Bilandzija

Address: P.O. Box 202

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95611 Phone: 707-951-4427

TIMBER TAX EXEMPTION: Timber owners owe timber yield tax when they harvest trees unless the harvest is exempt (Revenue and Taxation Code sec. 38116). 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, MIC: 60, State Board of Equalization, P.O. Box 942879, Sacramento, California 94279-0060; 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 10%; Fir \_\_\_\_\_%;

Port-Orford Cedar \_\_\_\_\_%; Cedar (IC, WRC) \_\_\_\_\_%; Other conifer \_\_\_\_\_%; Other hardwood 90%

2. TIMBERLAND OWNER(S) OF RECORD: Joseph S. Bilandzija

Address: P.O. Box 202

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95611 Phone: 707-951-4427

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(b)] to convert to agriculture, and family & farm dwelling. I additionally certify, under penalty of perjury, that I, 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, have not obtained an exemption pursuant to this section in the last five years.

SIGNATURE Joe Bilandzija Date 12-21-15

3. LICENSED TIMBER OPERATOR(S): Sterling Kercher

Lic. No. A-8541

Address: 14010 Alderpoint Road

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95611 Phone: 707-920-8486

SIGNATURE Sterling W. Kercher Date 12-19-15

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 all watercourses, and landing locations.

Section	Township	Range	Base & Meridian	County	Acres to be Converted	Assessor's Parcel Number
5	4S	5E	Humboldt	Humboldt	2.5	216-301-021

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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):
  - A. 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>.
  - B. All timber operations shall be complete within one year from the date of acceptance by CAL FIRE.
  - C. 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.
  - D. The timber operator shall remove or dispose of all slash or woody debris in accordance with 14 CCR § 1104.1(a)(2)(D)(1)-(9). 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.
  - E. 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.
  - F. No timber operations are allowed within a watercourse and lake protection zone unless specifically approved by local permit (e.g., county, city).
  - G. 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.
  - H. No sites of rare, threatened or endangered plants or animals or species of special concern shall be disturbed, threatened, or damaged.
  - I. No timber operations are allowed on significant historical or archeological sites.
  - J. Within one month of the completion of timber operations, including slash disposal, the timberland owner shall submit a work completion report to CAL FIRE.
  - K. 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 8 (commencing with Section 4601).

6. I, Karen Meynell, 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 Karen Meynell Date 12/15/15

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 707-725-1897

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 WLPZs 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, contacted the county and the Notice is in conformance with county regulations.

SIGNATURE of RPF Chris Carroll Date 12-28-15

8. NOTICE SUBMITTER(S): Joseph S. Blandzija

Address: P.O. Box 262

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95511 Phone: 707-951-4427

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

SIGNATURE Joe Blandzija Date 12-21-15

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
Alameda, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, western Trinity and Yolo Counties	Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, eastern Trinity and Yuba Counties	Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Tulare, and Ventura Counties

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Report Not In Conformance

- The area described by this report has been found not to be in compliance with the Forest Practice Act and Forest Practice Rules. See attached documents for further information. A new completion and/or stocking report must be submitted upon completion of the work required in the documents attached.
- The Director has determined that the stocking requirements of the Forest Practice Act and forest practice rules have not been met. See attached documents for further information. A new completion and/or stocking report must be submitted upon completion of the work required in the documents attached.

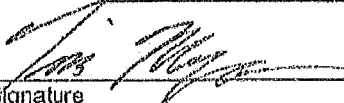
Other Reports

- Conversion Permit.** The Completion Report is necessary, but a stocking report is not required.
- Less Than Three Acre Conversion Exemption.** The Completion Report is necessary, but a stocking report is not required.
- Emergency Notice or a THP with Substantially Damaged Timberland as per 14 CCR § 1080.1, where a stocking report is not required.

For the selection from Other Reports above, the Director has determined that all of the requirements of the Forest Practice Act and Forest Practice Rules:

- Have been completed.
- Have not been completed and are not in compliance with the regulations and/or the rules. See attached documents for further information. A new completion report must be submitted upon completion of the work required in the documents attached.

Director, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

By:  Tim Meyers  
Signature Print Name

Forester I 2813 11/3/17  
Title RPF # Date

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## Project Description

This conversion proposes to convert timberland to agriculture and family and farm dwelling. Per the Humboldt County General Plan, the conversion exemption area is presently zoned Forest Recreation. For this particular zoning, timber production and recreation are the desirable predominant uses and agriculture is the secondary use. Family and farm dwellings and general agriculture are principally permitted uses per Humboldt County Zoning Reg Code 314-7.3. Humboldt County's Grading and Open Space Ordinance applies to this project and the County has reviewed and signed off on this project. See attachment from County.

### 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 and a family and farm dwelling. The timberland owner understand 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 owners, 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, have not obtained an exemption pursuant to this section in the last five years.

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

The conversion area is not located within a WLPZ or ELZ. The RPF has flagged the conversion boundary a minimum distance of 100 feet from the Class II watercourse, and a minimum distance of 50 feet from the Class III watercourses as shown on the attached maps. For compliance with Humboldt County's Grading and Open Space Ordinance, a 100 foot SMA is required alongside Class II Watercourses & a 50 foot SMA is required alongside Class III Watercourses.

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

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

The conversion area consists primarily of merchantable lanoak with a minor component of madrone and Douglas-fir. The conversion area will require timber harvesting, site preparation, and treatment of logging slash and woody debris (see requirements proceeding page). Major grading and excavation in the form of terracing are expected to occur in order to develop both sites.

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

The conversion exemption area's soils, slopes and aspect are favorable for agriculture and future family and farm dwellings.

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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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







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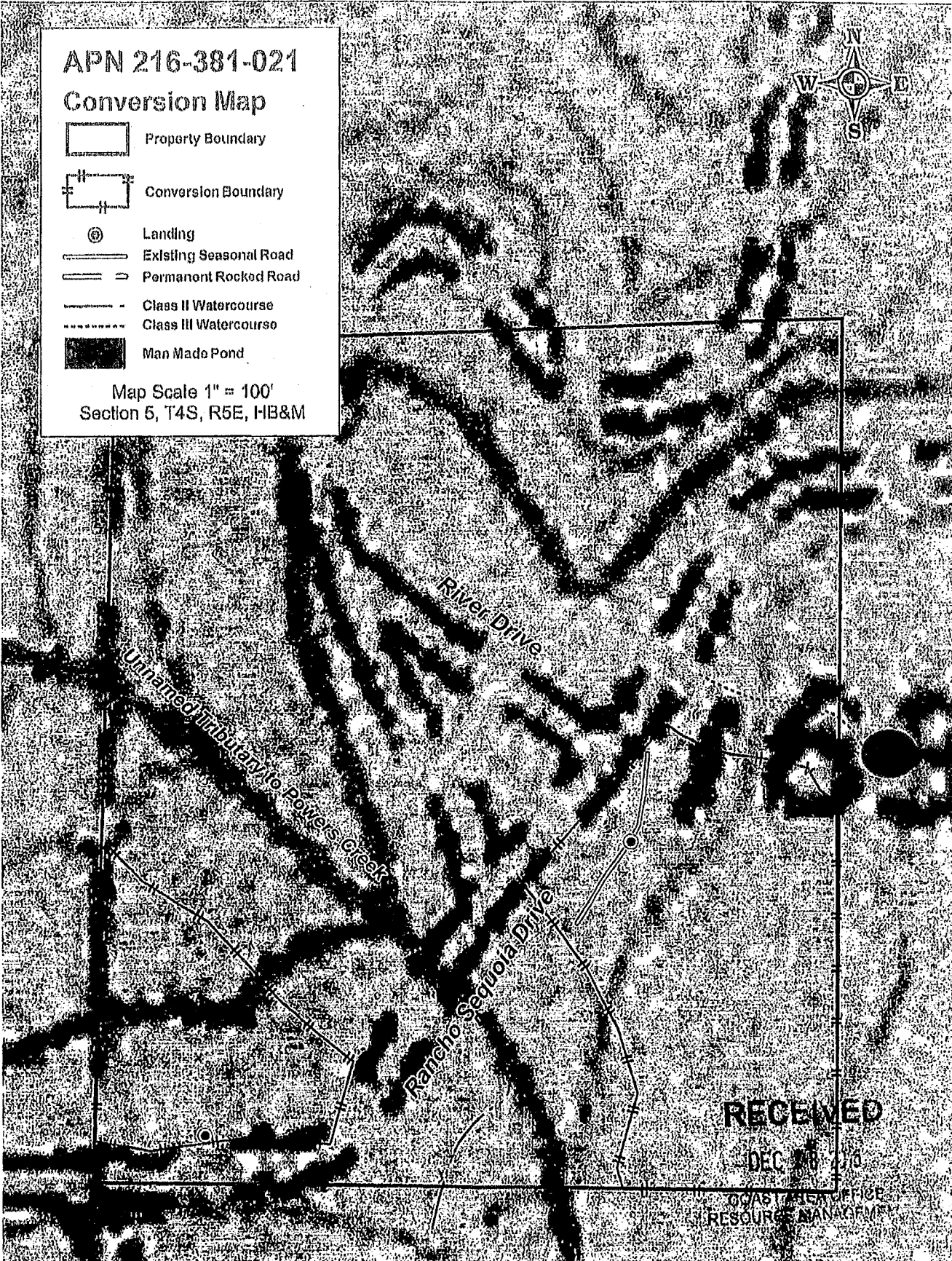
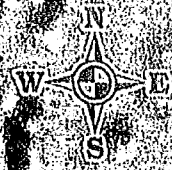


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Conversion Map

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






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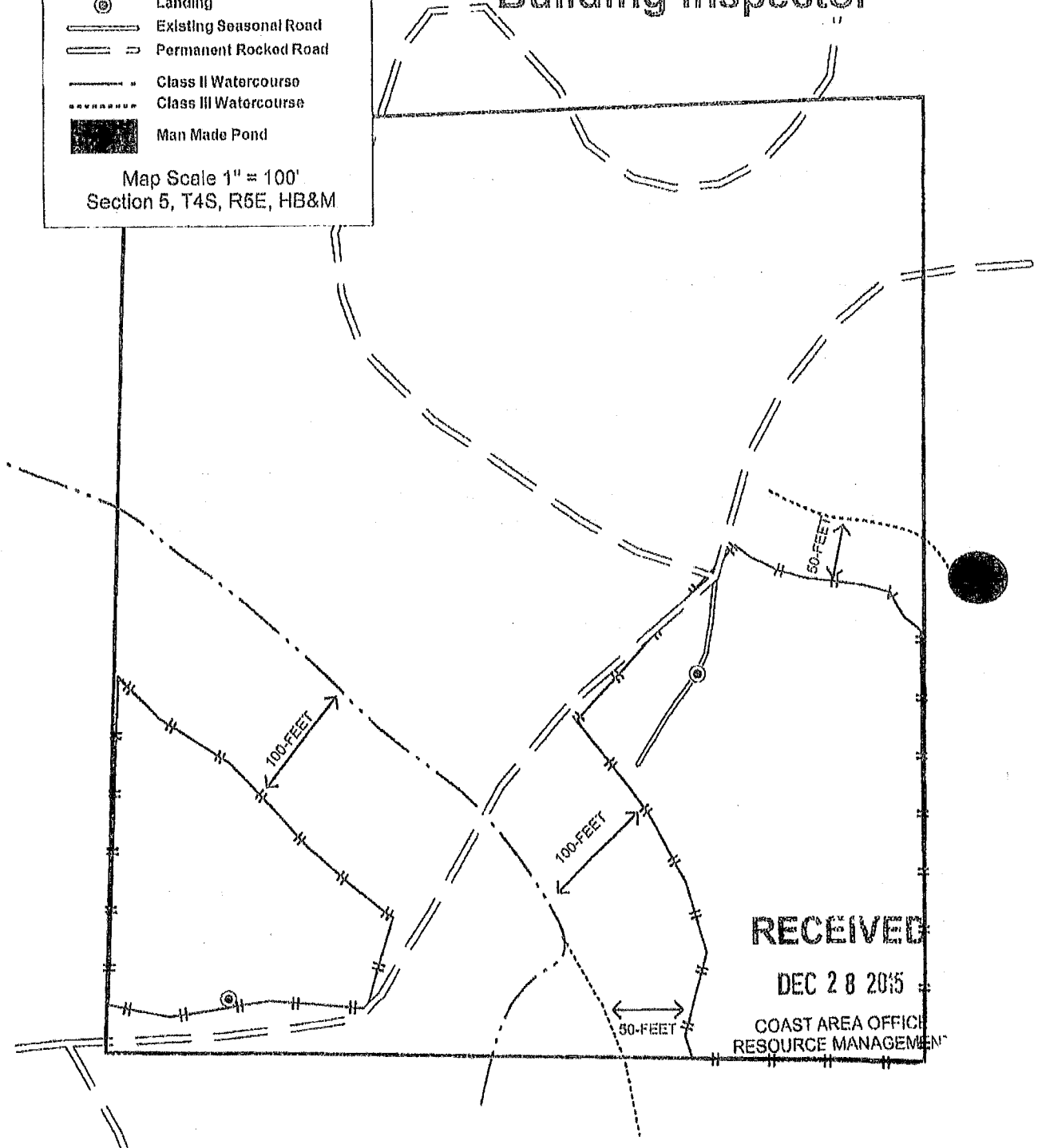
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JOSEPH BILANDZIJA  
P O BOX 262  
ALDERPOINT, CA 95511

Date: November 03, 2017

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

Section 4604 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) requires the Department to inspect timber operations for compliance with the Forest Practice Act and rules of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Harvest Document: 1-15EX-389-HUM  
Inspection Date: November 02, 2013 2017  
Inspection Number: 5  
On-Site Contact: JOE KERCHER

FINAL COMPLETION-NO VIOLATIONS OBSERVED ON THE AREA INSPECTED.

This completion inspection covers the conversion area and all harvesting activities and slash treatments required by the FPR. The erosion control structures and drainage facilities are installed and functioning properly. All conversion activities must be complete within two years, unless under permit by local jurisdiction.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Meyers at (707) 946-2204.

Hugh Scanlon  
Unit Chief, Humboldt Del Norte Unit

by: Tim Meyers RPF #2813  
Forest Practice Inspector

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135 Ridgway Ave.  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401  
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(707) 576-2959



Date: March 28, 2016  
Ref.: 1-16EX-074-HUM

JOSEPH BILANDZIJA  
P O BOX 262  
ALDERPOINT, CA 95511

Dear Mr. Bo;amdzija:

This is to acknowledge that your **Dead, Dying or Diseased Tree Removal & Harvesting Fuelwood or Split Products Exemption** was accepted on March 25, 2016. It has been assigned the above listed Exemption number. All timber operations must be complete within one year.

Compliance with all provisions of the Forest Practice Act, and rules pursuant to Section 1038 (b), under the Title of the California Code of Regulations, will be determined by future inspection(s). Note: If this exemption overlaps any portion of an existing THP, MTHP, PTHP or NTMP, CAL FIRE will enforce the more restrictive operational standard that applies.

**\*\*\*Please read the enclosed notice regarding Listed Anadromous Salmonids, Sudden Oak Death and Pitch Canker\*\*\***

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

Sincerely,

Jeremiah Steuterman  
Forestry Assistant II

Enclosure

cc: Unit  
Board of Equalization  
LTO -- Sterling Kercher  
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CHRISTMAS TREE; DEAD, DYING OR DISEASED;  
FUELWOOD OR SPLIT PRODUCTS EXEMPTION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION  
NOTICE OF TIMBER OPERATIONS THAT ARE EXEMPT FROM  
TIMBER HARVESTING PLAN REQUIREMENTS; RM-73 (1038ab) (11/11)

VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF RECEIPT BY CAL FIRE

FOR ADMIN. USE ONLY

Ex. # 1-16EX-074 Num

Date of Receipt MAR 25 2016

Date Expires MAR 24, 2017

The Director of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is hereby notified of timber operations under the requirements of 14 CCR § 1038(a) or (b). The following type(s) of timber operation is to be conducted:

- Harvesting Christmas trees.
- Harvesting dead, dying or diseased trees of any size in amounts less than 10 percent of the average volume per acre, where timber operations will meet the conditions listed in 14 CCR § 1038(b).
- Harvesting fuelwood or split products in amounts less than 10 percent of the average volume per acre, where timber operations will meet the conditions listed in 14 CCR § 1038(b). Note: If you are harvesting fuelwood or split products, please be aware that cut wood can be infested with harmful forest pests. Long distance transport of infested firewood can result in the unintentional spread of these pests. Please see [www.firewood.ca.gov](http://www.firewood.ca.gov) for more information.

The timber owner shall complete this form both pages, then sign on page two.

1. TIMBER OWNER(S) OF RECORD: Joseph S. Bilandzija

Address: P.O. Box 282

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95511 Phone: 707-951-4427

TIMBER TAX NOTICE: Timber owners owe timber yield tax when they harvest trees unless the harvest is exempt (Revenue and Taxation Code sec. 38116). Some small or low value harvests may be exempt from the 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, B, C, and D 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, MIC: 60, State Board of Equalization, P.O. Box 942879, Sacramento, California 94279-0060; 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 what percentage of timber will be removed during this harvest:

Redwood \_\_\_\_\_%; Ponderosa/Sugar pine \_\_\_\_\_%; Douglas-fir; Fir 75%;  
Port-Orford Cedar \_\_\_\_\_%; Cedar (JC, WRC) \_\_\_\_\_%; Other conifer %; \_\_\_\_\_; Other hardwood 25%.

- C. Fuelwood over 150 cords? Yes \_\_\_ No X                      D. Christmas trees over 3,000 lineal feet? Yes \_\_\_ No X

2. TIMBERLAND OWNER(S) OF RECORD Joseph S. Bilandzija

Address: P.O. Box 282

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95511 Phone: 707-951-4427

3. LICENSED TIMBER OPERATOR(S): Sterling Kercher Lic. No. A-8541

Address: 14010 Alderpoint Road

City Alderpoint State CA Zip 95511 Phone: 707-926-5486

Page One. NOTE: This form has two pages. Continue on and complete Page Two. Read the instructions before attempting to complete.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR CHRISTMAS TREES; DEAD, DYING OR DISEASED; FUELWOOD. Page Two

- Designate the legal land description of the location of the timber operation. Attach a 7.5 minute quadrangle or equivalent map showing the location of the timber operation. It would be helpful to show the access road and attach a copy of an assessor's parcel map for areas of less than 40 acres.

Section	Township	Range	Base & Meridian	County	Logging Area Acreage (Estimated)	Assessors Parcel # (Optional)
5	4S	5E	Humboldt	Humboldt	7.5	216-381-021

The following are limitations or requirements for timber operations conducted under a Notice of Exemption for Christmas Trees, Dead, Dying or Diseased, or Fuelwood (Notice, Notice of Exemption):

- This notice must be submitted to and received by CAL FIRE at one of the offices listed below prior to the commencement of timber operations.
- 14 CCR § 1038(b) places certain limits on the harvesting of Christmas trees, dead, dying and diseased trees, and fuelwood or split products. These limits need to be examined to assure compliance.
- Timber operations conducted under this notice shall comply with all operational provisions of the Forest Practice Act and District Forest Practice Rules applicable to "Timber Harvest Plan," "THP," and "plan." The requirements to submit a completion and stocking report normally do not apply. The requirements for environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (See 14 CCR § 15300.1) also do not apply.
- There are special requirements for timber operations conducted in Coastal Commission Special Treatment Areas, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency area, and in counties with special rules adopted by the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection. These rules should be reviewed prior to submitting this notice to CAL FIRE.
- This Notice of Exemption is valid for one year from the date of receipt by CAL FIRE.
- A timber operator with a valid state license must be designated upon submission of this notice.

The following suggestions may help ensure your compliance with the Forest Practice Rules:

- Timber owners, timberland owners and timber operators should obtain and review copies of the Forest Practice Rules pertaining to the Notice of Exemption. Copies may be obtained from BARCLAYS LAW PUBLISHERS, P.O. BOX 3086, SO. SAN FRANCISCO, CA, 94080, or from CAL FIRE, Forest Practice Section, P.O. BOX 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460; or from CAL FIRE's Web Page on the internet at <http://www.fire.ca.gov>.
- Contact the nearest CAL FIRE office listed below for questions regarding the use of this notice.

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

Alameda, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte Humboldt, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, western Trinity and Yolo Counties. => Forest Practice Program Manager  
CAL FIRE  
135 Ridgway Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, eastern Trinity and Yuba Counties. => Forest Practice Program Manager  
CAL FIRE  
6105 Airport Road  
Redding, CA 96002

Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Tulare, and Ventura Counties. => Forest Practice Program Manager  
CAL FIRE  
1234 East Shaw Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93710

SIGNATURE OF THE TIMBER OWNER OR AGENT THEREOF: Chris Carroll Date: 3-25-16

Printed Name: Chris Carroll Title: RPE #2628 Timberland Resource Consultants

Address 166 S. Fortuna Blvd. City Fortuna State CA Zip 95540 Phone 707-725-1897


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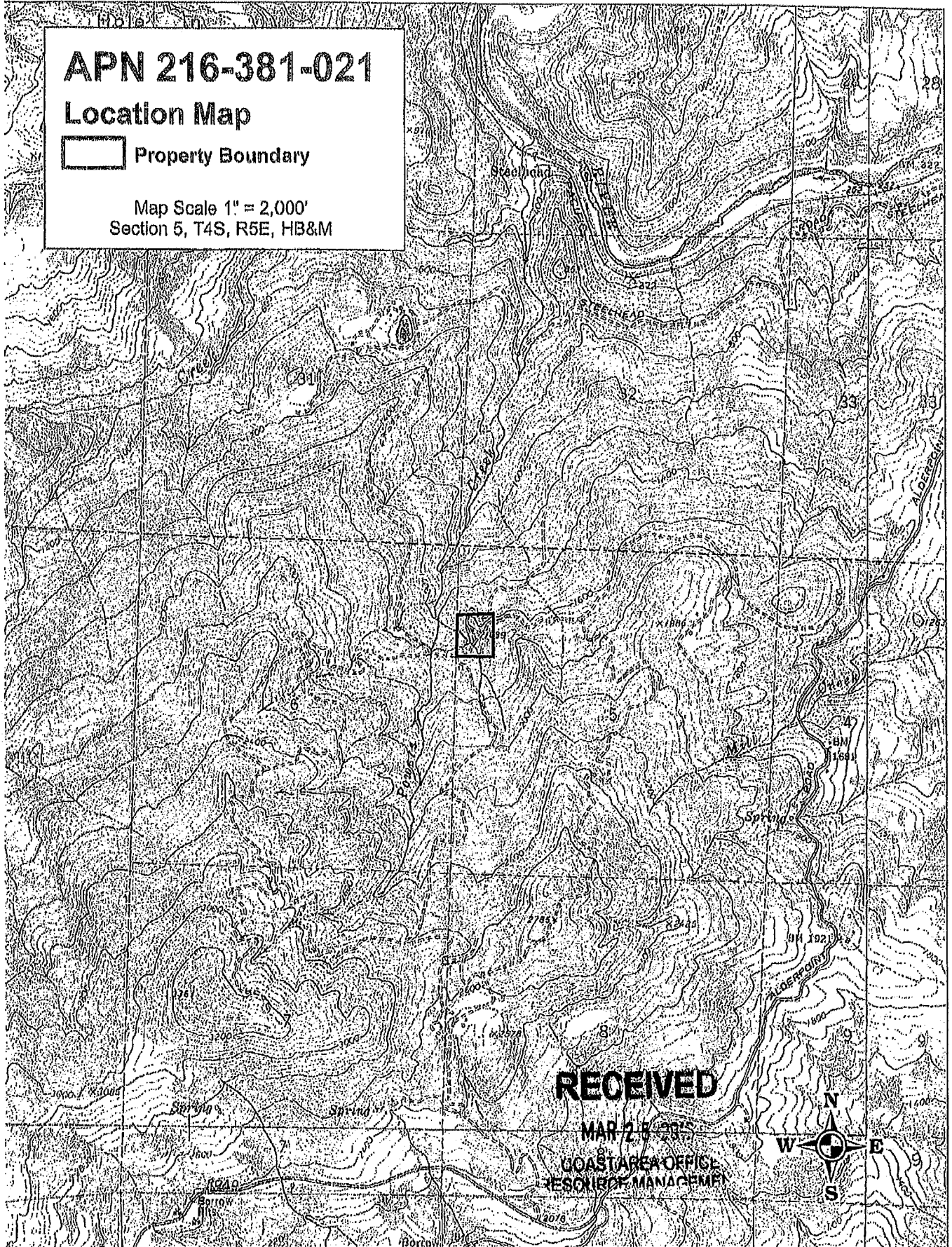
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






**Location Map**

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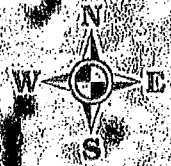
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Date: May 04, 2016

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P O BOX 262  
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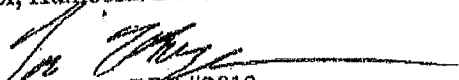
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Inspection Number: 1  
On-Site Contact: STERLING KERCHER

**ACTIVE INSPECTION. NO VIOLATIONS WERE OBSERVED ON THE AREA INSPECTED.**

During the inspection timber operations were evaluated. The LTO had completed some work under the DDD. The areas covered were spot checked and were in compliance with all the provisions of the Forest Practice Act, and rules pursuant to Section 1038(ab). The roads being used at the time of the inspection were in good shape. The LTO was reminded to winterize the roads and treat the slash that was generated by timber operations.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Meyers at (707) 946-2204.

Hugh Scanlon  
Unit Chief, Humboldt Del Norte Unit

by:   
Tim Meyers RPF #2813  
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June 20, 2016

Joseph Bilandzija  
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 Alderpoint, CA 95511

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Harvest Document: 1-16EX-074-HUM  
 Inspection Date: June 2, 2016  
 Inspection Type: Active  
 Inspection Number: 2  
 Person Contacted: Sterling Kercher

Comments: Active inspection was conducted on exemption area. During the active operations the LTO was conducting timber operations on dead or dying trees around the house and outbuildings. The LTO has identified trees that will be cut under this exemption and will treat any slash created in close proximity to the house and outbuilding including River road that runs next to the property to reduce the fire risk. During the inspection the LTO identified a location next to the main house and in close proximity to the creek that Water Quality wanted to have a few yards of perched material pulled back under a WQ permit. This Department recommends as little material as possible be pulled back. It appears the site is stable and doesn't need an extensive pull back of material done. Notice of Fire Hazard Inspection Form (LE-38A) is attached to the LTO's inspection report and documents the site was in compliance. Please call if you have any questions.

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Signature

Lucas Titus RPF# 2870  
 Forester I  
 For Hugh Scanlon, Unit Chief  
 CA Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection  
 Humboldt -- Del Norte Unit  
 cc: Unit, Region, LTO, TLO

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