Website: www.fire.ca.gov



DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION NORTHERN REGION HEADQUARTERS - SANTA ROSA 135 Ridgway Avenue Santa Rosa, CA, 95401 (707) 576-2959



November 10, 2021



Jonathon Leonard 165 S. FORTUNA BLVD FORTUNA, CA 95540

Oak Woodland Management v2019 No: 1-21EX-01321-HUM

## Letter of Acceptance

This letter acknowledges acceptance of your "Notice of Exemption" per Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 1038(a), (b), (c), (c)(6), (d), (e), (f), 1038.3, 1038.5, and 1038.6, from plan preparation and submission requirements (PRC 4581) and from the completion and stocking report requirements (PRC 4585 and 4587).

This Exemption EXPIRES November 03, 2022. Timber operations shall comply with all operational provisions of the Forest Practice Act and District Forest Practice Rules. Note: in-lieu practices, exceptions to rules, and alternative practices are not allowed.

Regulatory rules may differ if the exemption is in a county with special rules or within a Special Treatment Area. The Timberland Owner and the Licensed Timber Operator are advised to be aware of the rules for the specific location of the exemption.

## **Other Agency Considerations:**

- Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Boards) regulate waste discharges from timber harvest activities. The Regional Boards may have special requirements for timber harvesting conducted under this exemption. Please contact your local Regional Water Control Board with any questions regarding compliance with the California Water Code.
- Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) may require notification if the timber operations will substantially divert or obstruct the natural flow of, or substantially change or use any material from the bed, channel, or bank of any river. stream, or lake. Information on the Lake and Streambed Alteration Program and other DFW programs can be found at the following internet address: https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Environmental-Review

On-site inspection will be conducted by local CAL FIRE Unit Forest Practice Inspectors to evaluate compliance with all the provisions of the Forest Practice Act and Rules. For questions regarding the above referenced exemption, please contact the appropriate regional office listed above or contact the local CAL FIRE Unit for your County.

Sincerely,

Dominik Schwab, RPF #2823 Resource Manager - Coast

cc: Unit, TLO/TO/PS, LTO, BOE, File

To view Exemption Notices, please visit: https://caltreesplans.resources.ca.gov/caltrees/



# Timber Salvage Operations <u>Do I need a Water Board permit?</u>

The purpose of this flyer is to make you aware of the water quality regulations and permitting that apply now that you have decided to conduct postfire timber salvage activities on your property.

Now that your project has been authorized by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), additional agency permits may be required or may automatically apply to you, including from one of California's nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs).



The map above shows the nine different RWQCB jurisdictions throughout the state. Links to each RWQCB can be found here:

www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards map.html Regions 1, 5 and 6 have permits that your project may be eligible for or are automatically subject to.

# **Wildfires and Water Quality**

While impacts to the environment from wildfires can be significant, impacts can be positive or negative, and this is especially relative to the health of streams, rivers, and wetlands. Following a wildfire, the landscape can be extremely vulnerable to additional impacts from land use activities, including timber salvage operations and road and watercourse crossing management.

On private lands, landowners may choose to harvest merchantable timber following a wildfire in order to salvage the value of burned trees before they degrade. While conducting timber salvage operations, landowners, their consulting registered professional foresters (RPFs) and contracted licensed timber operators (LTOs) must all be aware of the regulations that apply to their activities and ensure that operations are conducted in a manner that is protective of the environment, including water quality.



## Water Quality Regulations

The RWQCBs are the primary water-pollution control and prevention agencies for the state. In that role, the RWQCBs issue permits, conduct inspections, and in some circumstances take enforcement actions to address activities that cause or may cause pollutants to discharge into streams, lakes, or wetlands, or impact riparian vegetation.

To protect yourself, your property and the environment, you should work closely with your consulting RPF and LTO to ensure that post-fire salvage activities conform with all applicable regulations and permitting!

We encourage landowners, RPFs, and LTOs to contact their <u>RWQCB's Forest Activities Program</u> for guidance on applicable water quality regulations and permits. A list of the RWQCBs can be found at the following web address:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/publications forms/publications/factsheets/docs/boardoverview.pdf



# DOES YOUR SALVAGE LOGGING OR VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROJECT INCLUDE WORKING IN OR NEAR A WATERBODY?

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) helps landowners avoid impacts to fish, wildlife, and native plants, and the habitats upon which these species depend.

The CDFW Lake and Streambed Alteration (LSA) Program reviews projects that may alter a river, stream, or lake (waterbody). These projects require landowner notification to CDFW for the project activities. CDFW also provides guidance to avoid unauthorized "take" of species protected under the California Endangered Species Act (CESA).

BEFORE YOU BEGIN YOUR PROJECT, USE THE CHECKLIST BELOW TO HELP DETERMINE IF A CONSULTATION WITH CDFW MAY BE NEEDED

#### A PERMIT IS LIKELY REQUIRED IF YOUR PROJECT INCLUDES:

The construction of a road, bridge, or crossing in or near a waterbod
The installation or replacement of a culvert in or near a waterbody
Substantial diversion of a waterbody's natural flow (e.g., removing
water or water drafting)
The obstruction of flowing water in a waterbody (e.g., dam or wood
piles)
Substantial change to the bed, bank, or channel of any waterbody
Potential impact to any sensitive or CESA-protected species or their $$
habitat
Removal of a tree with a bird nest in it

If any of the boxes apply to your project, please consult with CDFW **BEFORE** you start the project. If you checked any of the first five boxes, you may need to submit a LSA notification. Failure to notify CDFW of any potential Lake and Streambed Alterations or to apply proper take avoidance measures for sensitive and protected species may result in a violation of the Fish and Game Code (see sidebar).

It is very important for landowners, Registered Professional Foresters, Licensed Timber Operators, utility companies, or **anyone** working on salvage logging, fuel reduction, or vegetation management projects to know what CDFW permits or authorizations might be needed. **Even if you are working under a CAL FIRE Emergency or Exemption, the Fish and Game Code must still be followed.** Contact CDFW if you have any questions or to start a consultation.

To locate the Fish and Wildlife Office near you: https://wildlife.ca.gov/Regions

For more information on permits: https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Timber

#### APPLICABLE FISH AND GAME CODES

- § 45: "Fish" means a wild fish, mollusk, crustacean, invertebrate, amphibian, or part, spawn, or ovum of any of those animals.
- § 86: "Take" means to hunt, pursue, catch, capture, or kill, or attempt to hunt, pursue, catch, capture, or kill.
- § 1600 et seq. (LSA Program): Requires an entity to notify CDFW, and if required, obtain an Agreement, before substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of a river, stream, or lake; substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of a river, stream, or lake; or depositing or disposing debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake.
- § 2050 et seq. (CESA): Prohibits unauthorized take of species listed or a candidate for listing under CESA.
- §§ 3503 and 3503.5: Prohibits take, possession, or destruction of bird nests and eggs.
- §§ 5650 and 5652: Prohibits depositing in, permitting to pass into, or placing where it can pass into a water of the state any substance or material deleterious to fish, plant life, mammals, or bird life (§ 5650), or garbage, rubbish, litter, refuse, waste, and debris, among other materials (§ 5652).
- § 5901: Prohibits construction or maintenance of any device that prevents, impedes, or tends to impede upstream or downstream fish passage.
- § 5937: Requires the owner of a dam or other artificial obstruction to allow sufficient water at all times to pass over, around, or through the dam, to keep fish below the dam in good condition.

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# OAK WOODLAND MANAGEMENT RESTORE AND CONSERVE CALIFORNIA BLACK OAK, OREGON WHITE OAK WOODLANDS AND ASSOCIATED **GRASSLANDS**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION NOTICE OF TIMBER OPERATIONS THAT ARE EXEMPT FROM TIMBER HARVESTING PLAN REQUIREMENTS RM-73 (1038(e) (03/2019) EX.# 1-21EX-01321-HUM Date of Receipt NOV 04 2021

Date Validated by CAL FIRE NOV 10 2021

Date Expires NOV 03 2022

FOR ADMIN, USE ONLY

# VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM DATE OF RECEIPT BY CAL FIRE

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(e) for the cutting or removal of trees to restore and conserve California black oak or Oregon white oak woodlands and associated grasslands. NOTE: NOT APPLICABLE to timberlands within the Southern Sub-District of the Coast District or the Southern District. 14 CCR § 1038(e)(5) NO trees larger than twenty-six (26) inches outside bark stump diameter, measured eight (8) inches above ground level may be removed for commercial purposes. 14 CCR § 1038(e)(3)

Timber Operations pursuant to the notice of exemption may not commence for five (5) working days from the date of the Directors receipt of the notice unless this delay is waived by the director. If the Director does not act within five (5) days working days of receipt of the notice of exemption, Timber Operations may commence. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(13)

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL FORESTER (RPF) CERTIFICATION: Per 14 CCR § 1038(e)(2)(C)(1)-(2) - As the RPF preparing this Exemption notice I CERTIFY that the harvest area prior to timber operations has a minimum of thirty-five (35) square feet of basal area per acre of California black oak or Oregon white oak, or both. The purpose of Timber Operations per this notice of exemption is to restore and conserve California black oak and Oregon white oak and associated grasslands.

1. REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL FORESTER: Name:	Jon Dylan Leonard	RPF #:	3107 Date
Address 165 South Fortuna Boulevard			
City Fortuna	State CA Z	p <b>95540</b>	Phone <b>707-725-1897</b>
Signature: dleonard@timberlandresource.com	20	Date	11-4-21
LIAN (IL. (OPOOLICE)	ging, Inc. dba Pacific Earths	cape Lic#: /	A659 Date:
Address 1225 Central Avenue #11			
City McKinleyville	State CA Zi	95519 F	Phone 707-840-9442
EMAIL: (optional) general@pacificearthscape.	com		
Signature: Onche Borch		Date:	10/18/2021
. TIMBERLAND OWNER(S) OF RECORD. Name:	lai Erickson		•
Address 1065 Riverside Drive	state CA Zi	o <b>95562</b> Ph	one 707-672-5141
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NOTE: Trees to be harvested shall be marked by an RPF or a supervised designee of the RPF PRIOR TO TIMBER OPERATIONS.

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		exemption Harvest Area per planning watershed (CALWATER 2.2) shall be provid age may be listed in the legal description table below in question #13.	ed in the
	YES NO (required)		
9.	·	cres per ownership in a planning watershed (CALWATER 2.2)?	
	,	e notice has been sent to the appropriate Native Americans	
	Has the RPF sent a copy of the Notice of Exemption   ☐ YES ☐ NO  DATE Notice of exemption mailed: May 20, 2021	to Native Americans Contact List defined in 14 CCR § 895.1? (required)	
	Per 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(2) upon submission of the no defined 14 CCR § 895.1.	tice of exemption the RPF shall send a copy of the Notice of Exemption to Native America	is as
8.	Per 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(2) upon submission of the normust be provided to the Director.	otice of exemption, a Confidential Archaeological Letter pursuant to 14 CCR § 929.1[949.1,	969.1]
	If YES Sites must be preserved in place by cappi Departments Archaeologist at the time of submis	ng or covering with a layer of soil. Please include a written concurrence from the sion.	
	- Will operations occur within these identified archaeol	ogical sites? YES NO	
	Have significant archaeological sites been identified w	rithin the project area? (required) 🔲 YES 🔀 NO	
	Historical Site (information on some of these sites m System within the Department of Parks and Recreat	ay be available from the information Centers of the California Historical Resources Infor ion), except under the following conditions:	mation

### POST-HARVEST STOCKING LEVELS: (required)

12. Description of the postharvest stand structure: (14 CCR § 1038(e)(2)(B): (description shall include an estimate, by species, of diameter distribution and basal area)

Postharvest stand structure estimates:

,	SPECIES	BASAL AREA (sq ft)					
Oregon white o	oak/California black	50	True oaks range in size from ~6-24" with an average of 16" DBH.				
Douglas fir		5-10	Only large diameter (>24") Douglas fir will remain postharvest. Most sapling and pole diameter classes will be removed.				
			c composition. The stand will be dominated by mature true oaks with a minor t are greater than 24" DBH). Few, if any, patches of Douglas fir regeneration will asisting of mostly forbs and grasses.				

Per 14 CCR § 1038(e)(4)(A) a minimum of eighty (80) percent of the pretreatment basal area of California black oak or Oregon white oak, or both, shall be retained:

- What is the pretreatment basal area of California black oak? 40 ft²/acre
- What is the pretreatment basal area of Oregon white oak? 20 ft²/acre
- What is the pretreatment basal area of the conifers? 100 ft²/acre

Per 14 CCR § 1038(e)(4)(B) a minimum of thirty-five (35) square feet of basal area of California black oak or Oregon white oak, or both, shall be retained:

- What is the postharvest square feet of basal area of California black oak? 35 ft2/acre
- What is the postharvest square feet of basal area of Oregon white oak? 15 ft2/acre
- What is the postharvest square feet of basal area of the conifers? 5-10 ft²/acre

NOTE: Per 14 CCR § 1038(e)(4)(C) Conifer Stocking, measured in basal area, shall represent less than 25% of the total onsite Stocking of all trees within the Harvest Area. Decadent and Deformed Trees of Value to Wildlife (excluding hardwoods) shall not count towards this required stocking.

All harvested conifers shall be within 300 feet of a California black oak or Oregon white Oak that is a minimum of four (4) inches dbh.

NO TREES LARGER THAN 26 INCHES OUTSIDE BARK STUMP DIAMETER, MEASURED 8 INCHES ABOVE THE GROUND LEVEL MAY BE REMOVED FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.

- 13. TENTATIVE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF TIMBER OPERATIONS: (required: November 11, 2021 14 CCR § 1038.1(a)(5)
  Before beginning Timber Operations, the Timber Operator shall notify the Department of the actual commencement date of operations. The notification, by telephone, mail, or email, shall be directed to the appropriate CAL FIRE Unit Headquarters, Forest Practice Inspector or other designated personnel. If the notification is provided by mail, Timber Operations may not commence until three (3) days after the postmark date of notification. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(14)
- 14. 14 CCR 1038.2 The submitted notice of exemption shall Indicate if more than one Yarding system is to be used and identify the systems. CHECK EACH Yarding method to be utilized: If more than one type of method is selected these methods must be identified on the accompanying maps. (required)

		YARDING SYSTEMS		
	GROUND BASED	CABLE		OTHER
X	Tractor, including end/long lining	Cable, Ground lead	X	Hand thinning and removing
X	Rubber tired skidder, Forwarder	Cable, High Lead		Other:
X	Feller Buncher	Cable, Skyline		
Χ	Shovel yarding			

- 15. 14 CCR § 1038.1(a)(4) Designate the legal land description of the location of the Timber Operation. 14 CCR § 1038.2(a) attach a USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map or equivalent map showing the location of:
  - Boundaries of the Logging Area. 14 CCR § 1038.2(b)
  - Location of all Roads to be used for, or potentially impacted by, timber operations. 14 CCR § 1038.2(c) (Appurtenant Roads included within the logging area pursuant to (b) may be shown on a map which may be planimetric with a scale as small as one-half inch equals one mile)
  - The classification of all Roads as Permanent Roads, Seasonal Roads, or Temporary Roads. 14 CCR § 1038.2(d)
  - Road(s) and Landing(s) located in a Watercourse, Lake, WLPZ, Meadows and Wet Areas other than at road Watercourse crossings. 14 CCR §
    1038.2(e)
  - Location of water drafting sites. 14 CCR § 1038.2(f)
  - Public Roads within one-quarter (1/4) mile of the Harvest Area. 14 CCR § 1038.2(g)
  - Location of portions of the Harvest Area with an Extreme Erosion Hazard Rating. 14 CCR § 1038.2(h)
  - Location of all Watercourses and Lakes with Class I, II, III, or IV waters. 14 CCR § 1038.2(I)
  - Location of known Unstable Areas. 14 CCR § 1038.2(i)
  - Location of any Special Treatment Areas. 14 CCR § 1038.2(k)

Additional maps, which may be topographic or planimetric, may be used to provide additional information, to show details, and improve map clarity. A **legend shall be included indicating the meaning of the symbols used**. It will be helpful to describe the access route to the timber operation so that it can be easily located, and/or include an assessor's parcel map for small areas. (required)

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Base Meridian	Township	Range	Section	County	Acreage (estimated)	Assessors Parcel # (optional)
HBM	2N	5E	29	Humboldt	8.5	208-201-020
				TOTAL	8.5	

Bear Creek	1109.300101	2.2
Name	Watershed Identification Number	CALWATER Version
	PLANNING WATERSHED - CALWATER V2.2	

The following are limitations or requirements for timber operations conducted under this Notice of Exemption for the removal of trees to restore and conserve California black oak or Oregon white oak woodlands and associated grasslands.

- Per 14 CCR § 1038(e)(5) THIS EXEMPTION IS NOT APPLICABLE TO TIMBERLANDS WITHIN THE SOUTHERN SUB-DISTRICT OF THE COAST DISTRICT AS DEFINED IN 14 CCR § 895.1 OR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT DEFINED IN 14 CCR § 909.
- 2. The Harvest Area shall not exceed three-hundred 300 cumulative acres, during a five-year period, per ownership in a planning watershed (CALWATER 2.2) for the Timberland owner(s) listed above in Items 3 & 4. 14 CCR § 1038(e)(1)
- 3. This notice of exemption SHALL be prepared, signed, and submitted to the Department by a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) 14 CCR § 1038,1(c)(1) and received by CAL FIRE at the appropriate office listed below prior to the commencement of timber operations.
  - Coastal Special Treatment areas and Marin County the Director shall have ten calendar days from date of receipt to accept or reject the notice of timber operations.
- 4. 14 CCR § 1038(c) places certain limits on the harvesting of trees under this exemption. These limits need to be examined to assure compliance.
- 5. 14 CCR § 1038(c) 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. However, Completion and Stocking reports are required for areas when operations occur within COASTAL SPECIAL TREATMENT AREAS and / MARIN COUNTY. The landowner shall submit to CAL FIRE a RM-71 Completion and Stocking report, per PRC 4585 and PRC 4587. 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 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. 14 CCR §
  1038.1(c)(6)
- 7. All timber operations conducted in the Lake Tahoe Region must have a valid Tahoe Basin Tree Removal Permit, as defined by TRPA, or shall be conducted under a valid TRPA memorandum of Understanding, when such a permit is required by TRPA, 14 CCR § 1038.1(b)(1)
- 8. No helicopter yarding shall be allowed 14 CCR § 1038.1(b)(3)
- 9. Timber Operations may not be conducted without a copy of the Directors notice of acceptance at the operating site, except where the Director has failed to act within the five (5) working day review period. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(13)(A)
- 10. In-lieu practices within WLPZs as specified under Article 6 of these rules, exception to the rules, and alternative practices are not allowed 14 CCR § 1038.1
- 11. No Tractor or heavy equipment operations on slopes greater than 50%. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(5)
- 12. No construction of new tractor roads on slopes greater than 40%. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(5)
- 13. No Tractor or heavy equipment operations on known Unstable Areas. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(7)
- 14. No NEW road construction or reconstruction, as defined by 14 CCR § 895.1. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(8)
- 15. No heavy equipment operations within the standard width of a WLPZ, as defined in 14 CCR § 916.4[936.4, 956.4](b). 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(9)
- 16. Operations conducted under a notice of exemption are NOT permitted in known sites of rare, candidate, threatened or endangered plants and animals if the sites will be disturbed or damaged. NO timber operations may occur within a buffer zone of a listed, or sensitive species defined by 14 CCR § 895.1. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(10)(11)

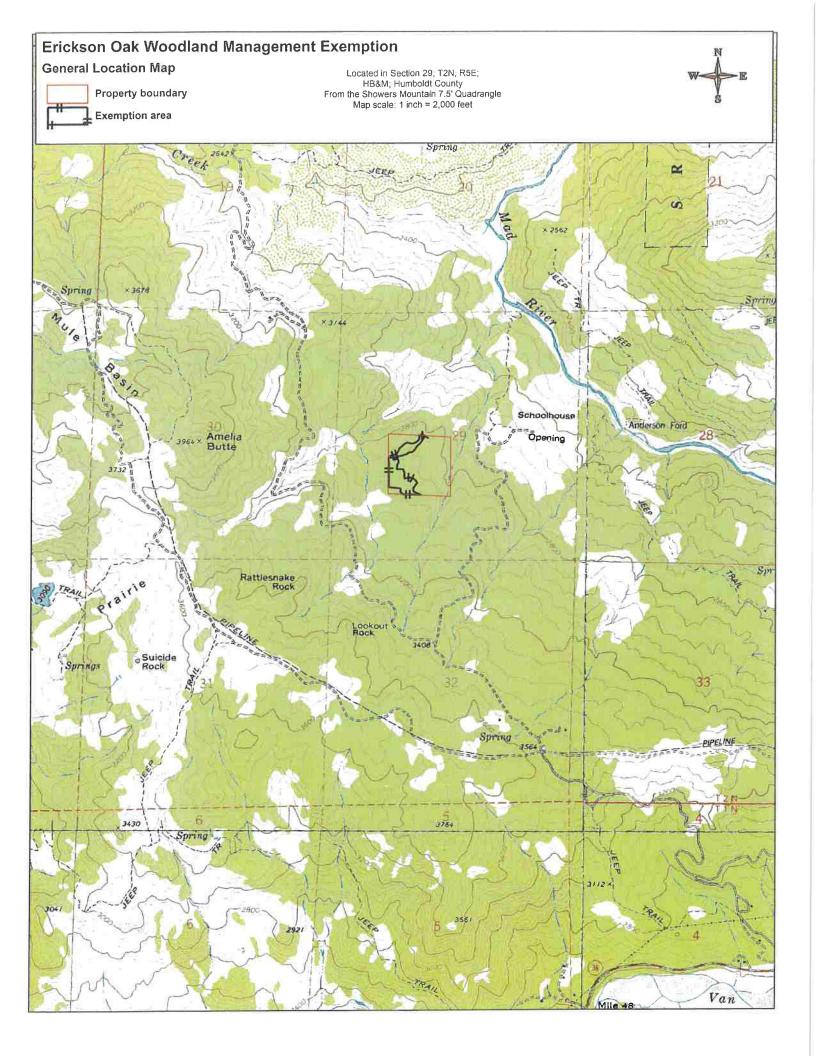
- 17. No trees larger than twenty-six (26) inches outside bark stump diameter, measured eight (8) inches above ground level may be removed for commercial purposes. 14 CCR § 1038(e)(3)
- 18. ALL conifers to be harvested shall be within three-hundred (300) feet of a California black oak or Oregon white oak that is a minimum of four (4) inches dbh. 14 CCR § 1038(e)(4)(D)
- 19. Post-harvest stand shall meet, at a minimum, the following criteria: 14 CCR § 1038(e)(4)(A-D)
  - A minimum of eighty (80) percent of the pretreatment basal area of California black oak or Oregon white oak, or both shall be retained; AND
  - A minimum of thirty-five (35) square feet of basal area of California black oak or Oregon white oak, or both, shall be retained; AND
  - Conifer stocking, measured in basal area, shall represent less than twenty-five (25) percent of the total onsite stocking of all trees within the Harvest Area.
  - Decadent and Deformed Trees of Value to Wildlife (excluding hardwoods) shall not count towards this required stocking standard.
  - All harvested Conifers shall be within three hundred (300) feet of a black oak or Oregon white oak that is a minimum of four (4) inches dbh.
- 20. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(4)(B) Slash shall be treated to achieve a maximum post-harvest depth of eighteen (18) inches above the ground on at least eighty (80) percent of the Harvest Area. All Slash shall be lopped, removed, chopped, piled for burning, or otherwise treated, within one (1) year from the date of the Director receiving the notice except for burning. Burning shall be completed within two (2) years from the date of the Director receiving the notice.
- 21. No timber harvesting within the standard width of a watercourse or lake protection zone, as defined in 14 CCR § 916.4 [936.4, 956.4](b), except sanitation-salvage harvesting, as defined in 14 CCR § 913.3 [933.3,953.3], where immediately after completion of operations, the area shall meet the stocking standards of 14 CCR § 912.7 [932.7,952.7](b)(2), or, except the removal of dead or dying trees where consistent with 14 CCR § 916.4 [936.4,956.4] (b). Trees to be harvested within a WLPZ shall be marked by, or under the supervision of, an RPF prior to timber operations. 14 CCR § 1038.1(c)(12)
- 22. ASP watersheds No timber operations are allowed in a WLPZ, or within any ELZ or EEZ designated for watercourse or lake protection, under exemption notices except (1) Hauling on existing roads (2) Road maintenance (3) Operations conducted for public safety (4) Construction or reconstruction of approved watercourse crossings (5) Temporary crossings of dry Class III watercourses that do not require notification under Fish and Game Code §1600 et seq. (6) Harvesting recommended in writing by CDFW to address specifically identified forest conditions.
- 23. Operations conducted under a notice of exemption are NOT permitted in known sites of rare, candidate, threatened or endangered plants and animals if the sites will be disturbed or damaged. NO timber operations may occur within a buffer zone of a listed, or sensitive species defined by 14 CCR § 895.1.
- 24. If any activities related to timber operations, as defined by PRC 4527, are to include any of the following activities in any river, stream or lake, including episodic and perennial waterways, a notification to the California Department Fish and Wildlife is required pursuant to Fish and Game Code §1602: 1) A substantial alteration of the bed, bank, or channel; 2) A substantial diversion (i.e. water drafting) or obstruction of the natural flow; or 3) Use of material from or deposit of material into the watercourse. Information on the Lake and Streambed Alteration Program, as well as notification forms, may be found at the following link: <a href="https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/conservation/lsa">https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/conservation/lsa</a>.
- 25. Timber Operations under this Notice of Exemption are valid for one year from date of acceptance by CAL FIRE.
  - Marin County the exemption is valid for the calendar year of acceptance.
- 26. A licensed Timber Operator must be designated upon submission of this notice.
- 27. RPF shall include a Confidential Archaeological Letter (CAL) which contains all the information required for plans and Emergency Notices with the exception that the information required in 14 CC§ 929.1(c)(3) [949.1(c)(3), 969.1(c)(3)] shall not be required. RPF before submitting the Notice of Exemption to the Director shall send a copy of the Notice of Emergency to native Americans defined in 14 CCR § 895.1. 14 CCR § 1038(c)(2)
  - The discovery of human remains requires immediate notification to appropriate agencies. 14 CCR § 929.3 [949.3, 969.3] requires notification to CAL FIRE. The area must not be further disturbed, and any area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains, until an evaluation is completed by the County Coroner pursuant to Health and Safety Code § 7050.5. If the human remains are determined to be Native American, the Native American Heritage Commission must also be notified pursuant to Public Resources Code § 5097.98.

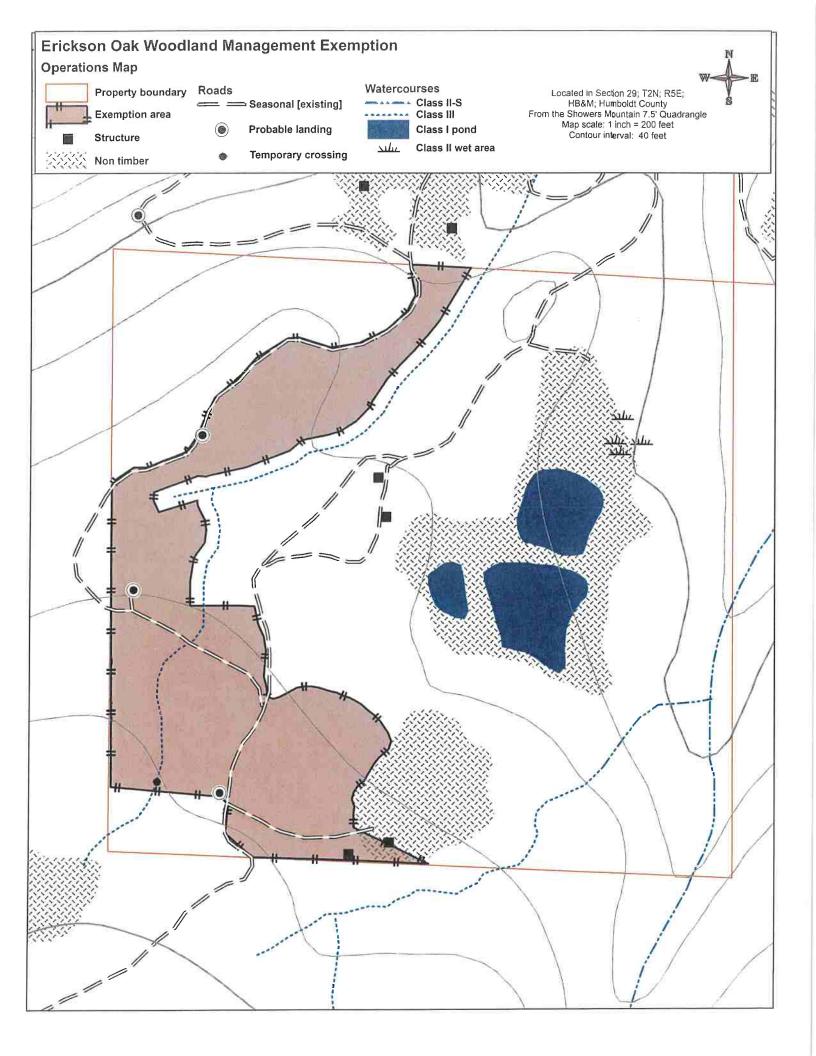
# The following suggestions may help ensure your compliance with the Forest Practice Rules:

- 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 3066, 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.
- 2. Contact the 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
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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





From: dieonard@timberlandresource.com
To: Santa Rosa Review Team@CALFIRE
Cc: trc@timberlandresource.com

Subject: Erickson OWME

**Date:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:28:00 AM

Attachments: Erickson OWME.pdf

## Warning: this message is from an external user and should be treated with caution.

Good morning,

Attached is an Oak Woodland Management Exemption for your review. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Jon Dylan Leonard Registered Professional Forester #3107 Timberland Resource Consultants 165 S. Fortuna Blvd Fortuna, CA 95540

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## Note

Information concerning archaeological sites has been removed from

Exemption:

1-21EX-01321-HUM

Exemption Type:

**Erickson Oak Woodland Management Exemption** 

pursuant to California Government Code Section 6254.10 which exempts cultural resources site location information from the California Public Records Act and provides authority for widespread state policy (not just within the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection) to keep archaeological site location information confidential. This exemption to the Public Records Act recognizes that providing site location information to the general public may put such sites at risk from artifact hunting, excavations and/or vandalism.

Copies of the information have been sent to the following locations to facilitate review of the project:

- 1. CAL FIRE field unit Fortuna
- 2. Reviewing Archaeologist, Santa Rosa (Region Office)

The original copy of this material is maintained in a confidential file at CAL FIRE's Northern Region Headquarters, 135 Ridgway Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95401.