



**Special Board Meeting of the Placer County Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors**

**January 6, 2026
11641 Blocker Drive, Upstairs Conference Room
Auburn, CA 95603
4:30pm**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER
- 2) MEMBERS & GUESTS PRESENT
- 3) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is provided so that people may speak to the board on any item not on this agenda. Public comments are limited to 5 minutes. The board cannot act on items not included on this agenda.

5) BUSINESS:

New Business:

- a. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption (NOE) for Placer County Coordinated Fuel Break, Phase 2, Applegate

The board will review and may act to approve the CEQA NOE for the Placer County Coordinated Fuel Break, Phase 2, Applegate

- 6) CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to the cited authority (all references are to the Government Code), the Board of Directors will hold a closed session to discuss the following listed item. A report of any action taken will be presented prior to adjournment.

GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

1. Existing Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)):
 - (a) El Dorado County, et al. v. PG&E Corporation, a California Corporation, et al.
San Francisco County Superior Court Case No: CGC-23-604087

7) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8) ADJOURNMENT

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Placer

From: (Public Agency): Placer County Resource Conservation District
11641 Blocker Dr, Ste. 120
Auburn, CA 95603

(Address)

Project Title: Placer County Coordinated Fuel Break, Phase 2

Project Applicant: Placer County Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

T13N R9E Sections 9 & 10, MDBM. Greenwood USGS 7.5' Quad. See map.

Project Location - City: Applegate Project Location - County: Placer

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project is a cooperative partner effort, funded by CAL FIRE, to strategically reduce fuels along the American River canyon rim that borders the communities of Applegate, Heather Glen, Weimar, Clipper Gap, and neighboring Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) lands. This phase aims to maintain low fuel loading on previously treated areas and widen the fuelbreak where it is less likely to be effective. Fuels treatment in the form of mastication, herbicide, grazing, chipping, pile burning, and handwork will occur on up to 250 acres. Trees and brush 10 inches and under in DBH will be eligible for removal. The project will maintain and increase safe ingress and egress routes for fire suppression and evacuation, reduce fuels in topographically appropriate locations, create geographic continuity in fuel reduction and protect important cultural and ecological resources in the area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Placer County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Placer County Resource Conservation District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Categorical Exemption, Class 4
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Placer RCD is proposing the qualification of exemption from a comprehensive CEQA analysis under the Class 4 category for minor alterations to land. The project will consist of fuels management activities for the maintenance and expansion of a shaded fuel break. The proposed project will reduce the volume of flammable vegetation and will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters. A professional archaeologist will be employed to conduct an archaeological survey of the proposed project area, and the proposed project will not result in impacts to cultural resources. Refer to CA 14 CCR Section 15304.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Lewis Campbell Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-390-6684

If filed by applicant:

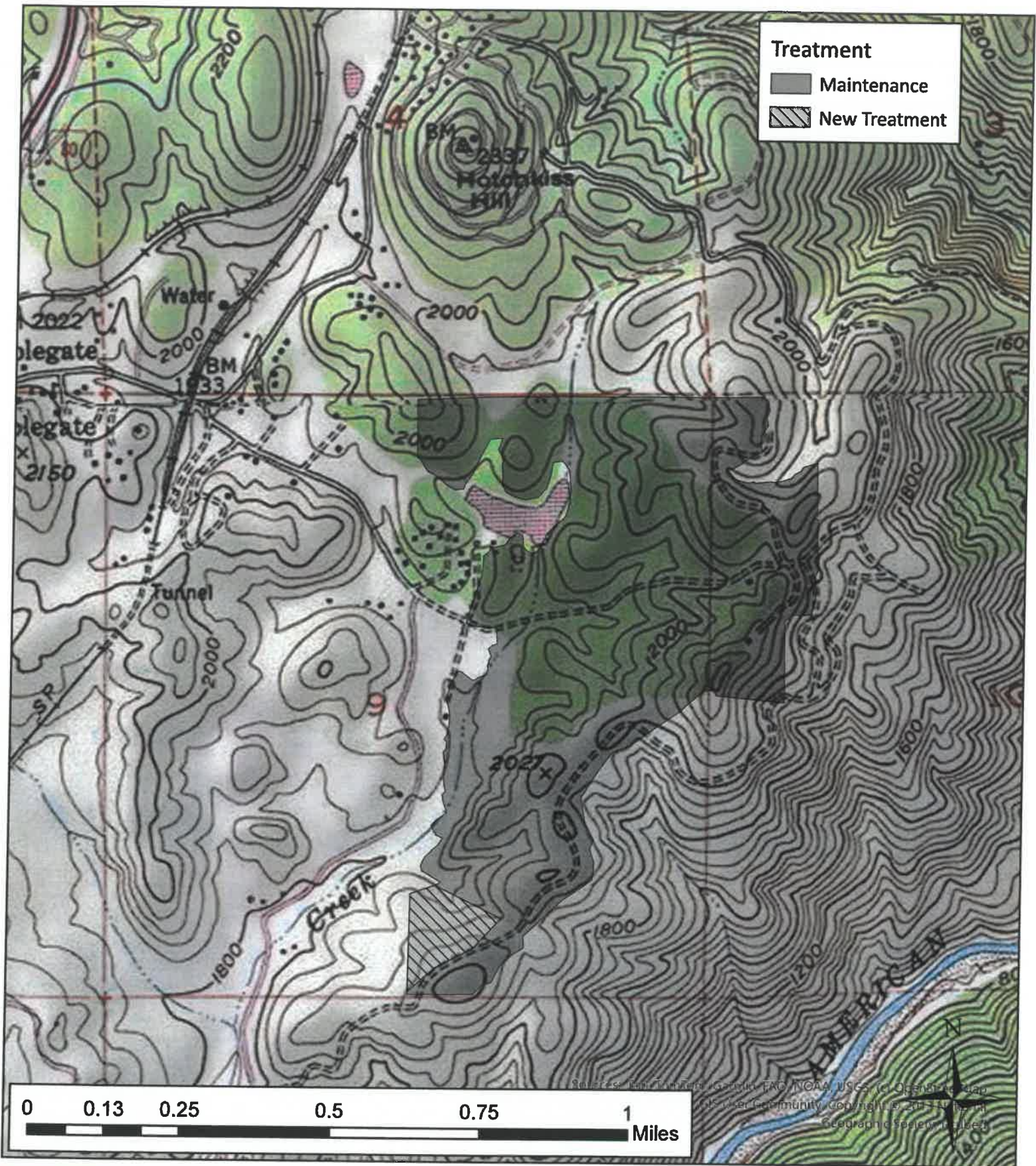
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: 12/23/25 Title: Forestry Project Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____



Placer County Coordinated Fuelbreak 2026 NOE

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