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Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Marin Civic Center
3501 Civic Center Dr., Suite 234,
San Rafael, CA 94903

From (Public Agency): 21-2022-081
City of San Rafael
1400 Fifth Ave.
San Rafael, CA 94901

Project Title: San Rafael Zone Terra Linda/Sleepy Hollow Divide Fuel Reduction Project

Project Applicant: City of San Rafael

Project Location – Specific: Most of the proposed project would be conducted within the Terra Linda/Sleepy Hollow Open Space Preserve, which is owned and managed by Marin County Open Space District (MCOSD), primarily within the City of San Rafael. A very small portion of the proposed project would be conducted on City of San Rafael-owned property.

Project Location – City:
City of San Rafael

Project Location – County:
Marin County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the proposed project would be to create a fuel reduction and invasive species removal zone between structures and open space areas with the intention of reducing wildfire intensity and rate of spread in the event of ignition in the wildland or built environment. Removal of fire hazardous invasive species is intended to reduce fire hazards to adjacent residences as well as decrease the potential for reinvasion of invasive plants (generally broom species) into the 0 to 100-foot fuel reduction zone. Additionally, removal of invasive nonnatives would provide an opportunity for native, less hazardous plant species to recolonize and restore these areas. By creating a contiguous buffer between neighborhoods and open space lands, implementation of the proposed project would provide defensible space for fire suppression crews to safely defend communities from wildfire and extend evacuation times for the community.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of San Rafael

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of San Rafael

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));
- Common Sense Exemption (Sec. 15061(b)(3));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15304(i), Minor alterations to land for fuel management activities. 15301, existing facilities. 15333, small habitat restoration projects
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

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that would support an exception to the categorical exemption. No exceptions listed under Section 15300.2 apply.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

Alicia Giudice, City of San Rafael

Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

(415) 485-3092

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: Alicia M. Giudice Date: 4-5-22 Title: Community Development Director

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.
