

## ATTACHMENT 4.3

### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:**

Office of Planning and Research  
1400 10th Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**From:**

California Tahoe Conservancy  
1061 Third Street  
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

**Project Title:** Inclusive Trailhead Revitalization

**Project Location – Specific:**

Various Tahoe Rim Trail trailhead locations on the California side of the Lake Tahoe Basin (Exhibit A)

**Project Location – City:** n/a

**Project Location – County:** Placer and El Dorado Counties

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The California Tahoe Conservancy will provide grant funding to the nonprofit Tahoe Rim Trail Association to replace nine major and three secondary trailhead kiosks in California to improve inclusivity, safety, and functionality. The new kiosks will feature Spanish translation of all information, trail accessibility information such as grade, tread surface, and slope, a better map, QR codes where users can find information translated into several additional languages, and a short acknowledgment of the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California as the indigenous inhabitants of the region.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:**

California Tahoe Conservancy (Conservancy meeting of 12/14/2023) (Agenda Item 7)

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Tahoe Rim Trail Association

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (§ 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption –Class 1, § 15301. (See also Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 12102.1.)

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:**

The proposed project is categorically exempt under Class 1, Existing Facilities, because it involves replacing existing trailhead kiosks with no expansion of use.

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