

ATTACHMENT 4

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: Upper Truckee River Sunset Stables, Reach 6 Restoration Project (Project)

Project Location – Specific:

The Project Area is in El Dorado County near Lake Tahoe Airport, adjacent to U.S. Highway 50 and in the vicinity of Elks Club Drive (Exhibit A)

Project Location – City: NA

Project Location – County: El Dorado

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The California Tahoe Conservancy (Conservancy) proposes to conserve, restore, protect, or enhance approximately 132 acres of floodplain, meadow, and upland habitat, as well as approximately 4,500 feet of river channel, to assist in the recovery of California native fish and wildlife, and the habitat upon which they depend. The Project is designed to restore geomorphic processes and hydrologic functions, improve water quality, enhance native vegetation community conditions, improve aquatic and terrestrial habitats, and increase the Project area's resiliency to climate change.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

California Tahoe Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Scott Carroll

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (§ 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 15269(b)(c))
- Statutory Exemption (Public Resources Code §21080.56)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

This Project is designed to restore habitat for California native fish and wildlife in the Upper Truckee River, and on the adjacent floodplain and upland. Public Resources Code §21080.56 allows for projects that restore habitat for native fish and wildlife and comply with all other requirements of §21080.56 to be exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements. The Conservancy Executive Director determined on December 16, 2025, that the Project is exempt from CEQA under PRC §21080.56. This determination was submitted to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for review on December 17, 2025, and the Conservancy received the CDFW concurrence letter on February 2, 2026. The CDFW posted Concurrence NO. 21080.56-086-R2 in accordance with PRC §21080.56(g).

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